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ARTILLERY DUEL AS DAWN BREAKS LARGE SCALE BATTLE BEGINS IN DRIVING RAIN IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, 9 a.m., To-day.

After a brief respite the stillness of the night was shattered by the boom of guns heralding a resumption of the fighting which broke out yesterday.

Shortly after the bombardment had flared up again the Chinese claimed to have advanced to points a mile to the north-west of Japanese headquarters.

By 5.30 this morning the artillery duel became so powerful that people sleeping miles away were awakened.

Meanwhile the fires in the battle areas in Chapei have died down, either after the buildings were gutted or after the flames were extinguished by driving rain which began last night.

A simultaneous attack against the Japanese cotton mills north-east of Shanghai and against the Japanese positions in Chapei, near Japanese headquarters, was launched by Chinese infantry and artillery at 4.20 this morning, according to a Japanese communique.—Reuter.

WARSHIPS DROP BARRAGE

Shanghai, 6 a.m., To-day.

The stillness of the night was broken by the boom of guns heralding a resumption of yesterday's fighting between the Chinese and the Japanese naval landing party.

Sporadic firing is now proceeding and meanwhile the city is awaiting the dawn and wondering whether Japanese planes from the aircraft-carrier off Woosung will attack the Chinese positions.

The most exciting encounter yesterday occurred when a Japanese destroyer and gunboat dropped a barrage to halt the Chinese attack on the Japanese cotton mills.

The Japanese claim that the Chinese were forced to retire to their original positions as a result of the barrage dissipating the attack.

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BEGINS SOVIET AND JAPAN

HIROTA DECLINES TIENTSIN INQUIRY

MOSCOW, TO-DAY.

THE JAPANESE FOREIGN MINISTER, MR. KOKI HIROTA, HAS REJECTED AS "ENTIRELY UNACCEPTABLE" THE SOVIET PROPOSAL THAT THE RAID ON THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN TIENTSIN BE INVESTIGATED IN CONJUNCTION WITH FOREIGN REPRESENTATIVES.

MR. HIROTA, DENYING JAPANESE COMPLICITY IN THE RAID, SUGGESTED A JOINT INVESTIGATION BY THE JAPANESE AND SOVIET CONSULS IN TIENTSIN.—REUTER.

CORDELL HULL AGAIN SEES MR. SAITO

Washington, To-day.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, and the Japanese Ambassador, Mr. Saito, yesterday discussed Sino-Japanese developments in a conversation which Mr. Hull later described as an ordinary exchange on the "acute conditions" in the Far East.

Mr. Hull stated there was no special discussion of the grave situation at the International Settlement in Shanghai.

Replying to a question whether the United States, Britain and France would ask that the International Settlement be not used as a base of operations by the disputing countries, Mr. Hull said he knew of nothing new.—Reuter.

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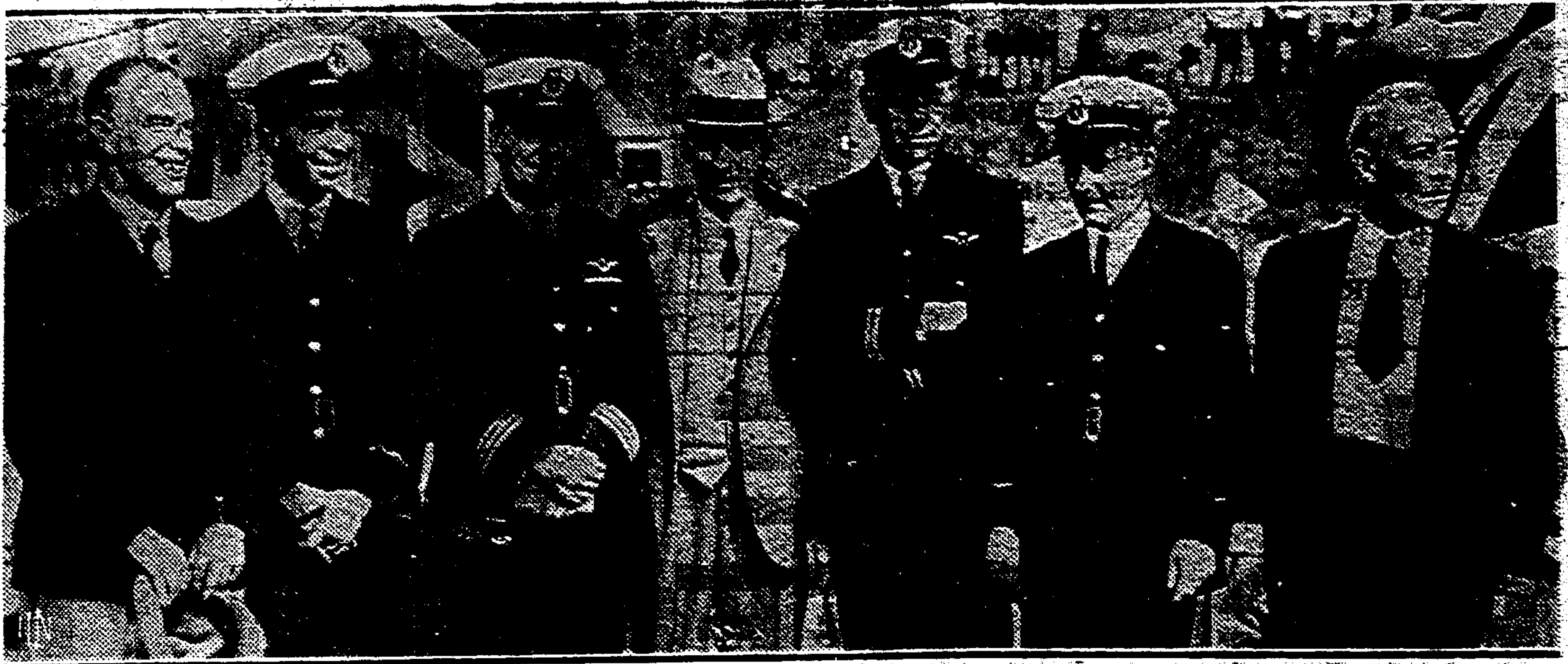
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mander C. P. Edward, chief of air services; T. H. Vallette, radio officer; Capt. A. S. Wilcockson, skipper of the *Caledonia*; S. J. Hungerford, of trans-Canada Airlines; Charles H. Bowes, first officer; T. H. Hobbs, radio operator; and J. A. Wilson, controller of civilian aviation for Canada.

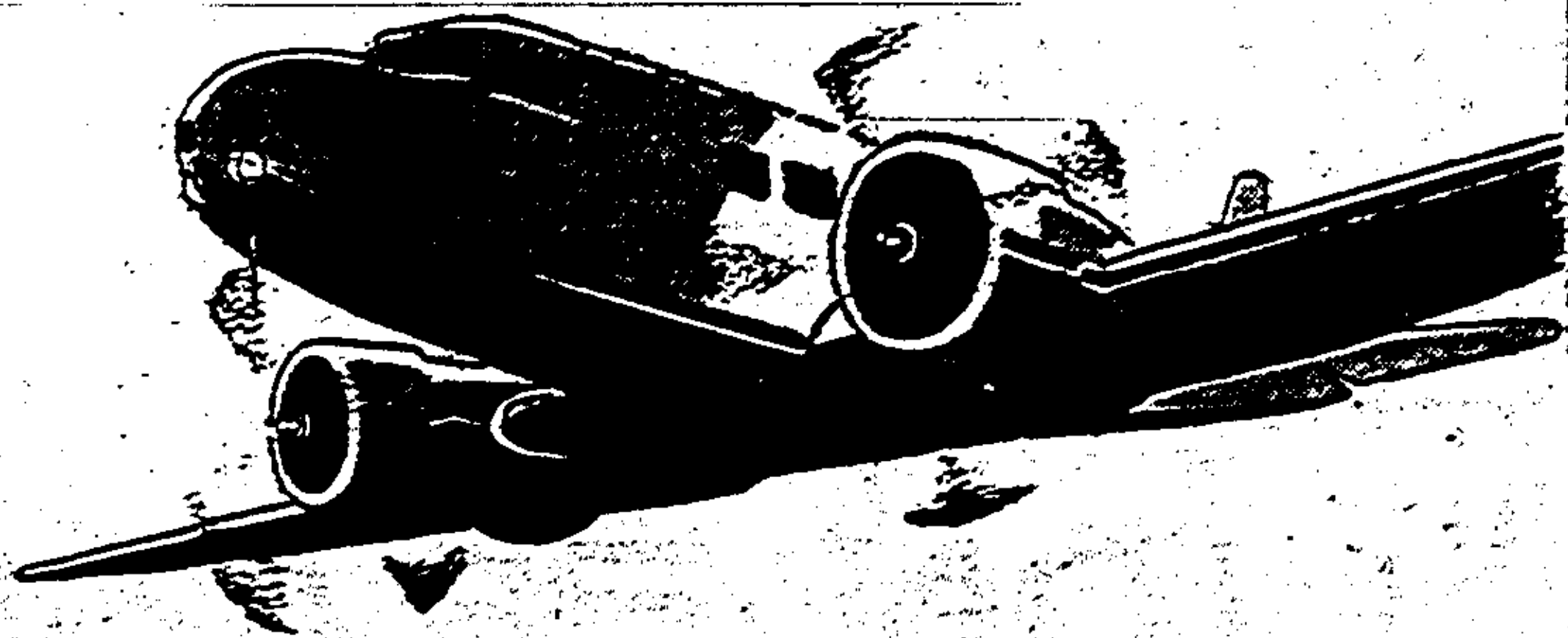
DEVELOPMENT OF K.L.M. TRAFFIC

The specially good results obtained in the last weeks on the K. L. M.'s Amsterdam-Batavia route are largely due to the material by which the service has been operated twice weekly since the 5th of June, when the new Douglas DC 3 fleet was put into service. For the first time the increasing of the loading capacity by 70% is expressed in the working figures.

Compared with the corresponding weeks of last year in which the service was operated with the Douglas DC 2, a machine of less speed and capacity than the DC 3, the first week since June shows an increase of 100% in mail transport, 57% in passenger transport and 52% in the

transport of freight. And what is also very remarkable is the fact that the sale of the loading capacity of the machines increased to 81.2%.

The following figures help in illustrate the recent development of the traffic on the India route. The amount of letter mail on the last 13 flights of 9000 miles each, was 92,867 ton/kms, compared with 46,365 ton/kms on the corresponding 13 flights in the previous year. This increase was due to the initiative of the K. L. M. in starting the first non-surge air mail scheme between Europe and Asia. The transport of passengers increased as well, viz. to 1,240,156 pass/km, compared with 788,767 in 1936. The



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A new type of plane, a wingless autogyro, invented by Professor H. Focke, in Germany, and piloted by M. Rohls, broke all existing records recently when it attained a height of 2500 metres.

transport of freight came to 20,725 (13,645) ton/kms.

From next October the Amsterdam-Batavia service will be operated three times a week.

EXCELLENT RESULTS

The summer service in Europe shows excellent results. Since the last week in May the company has carried daily about 475 passengers on the European stretches alone, which means an increase of 100 passengers daily compared with the last year. The freight transport on the European lines again shows an increase, which is partly due to the improvement, which has undoubtedly taken place in trade. Since June 1937 nearly 30 thousands kg. of mail has been carried more than in 1936, and the freight transport amounted to 32,000 kilo weekly, which means an increase of 25,600 kg. in 12 months. This summer about 6000 kg freight are being carried daily.

The traffic on the inland has almost doubled. The new connection with Texel, the beautiful island in the Northern part of the country, has proved an immense success. Since the first of July, when this line was opened, almost every plane has been booked up to the last seat. The world exhibition in Paris has been largely responsible for that the traffic on the four daily services to Paris in the last week being treble the average daily traffic in 1936.

LONDON SERVICE

Passenger traffic to and from London shows an exceptional development. There are now nine daily connections between London and the Netherlands. The evening and night services are also fairly well patronised, the last plane arriving at Croydon at exactly midnight. The average traffic between London and Amsterdam is 75 passengers daily in each directions.

Dance Relay From H.K. Hotel Grill Room

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme
12.30 p.m.—Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
Where's The Sergeant (Longstaffe).
Tommy Lad (Teschemacher-Margeson).
Phil The Fluter's Ball (French).
12.40 p.m.—Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
Fox Trot—
When My Dream Boat Comes Home.
I Stumbled Over Love.
The Night Is Young, And You're So Beautiful.
Waltz—
Seal It With A Kiss.
Fox Trot—
Moon For Sale.
Waltz—
A Beautiful Lady In Blue.
1.00 p.m.—Local: Time signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Patricia Rossborough (Piano).
A Cavalcade Of Martial Tunes.
Intro: There's something about a soldier; The King's Horses; When the Guards are on Parade; When a Soldier's on Parade; The Toy Drum Major.
Sweetheart Joe, The Candy Man (Croom-Johnson).
If I Love Again (Oakland-Murray).
1.13 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selections.
Intro: The Riff Song (Desert Song); My Hero (Chocolate Soldier); Tea for Two (No, No, Nanette); Hallelujah (Hit the Deck).
The Mounties (Rose-Marie); Merry Widow Waltz (Merry Wi-

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dow); Spread a little happiness (Mrs. Ginders); Roll away clouds—(Virginia).
Garda Hall and George Baker (Vocal).
Home and Beauty.
Intro: Sing something in the morning; A nice cup of Tea; Twilight Sonata.
Play it again; Love me to-day; No more; Sing, Royal Harp.
Magda Neel, Janet Lind & Webster Booth (Vocal).
1.30 p.m.—Renter Press; Rugby Press; Local: Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—New Variety & Dance Music.
Song—
Climbing Up.
Ho! Ho! (Film: King Solomon's Mines); Paul Robeson.
Comedienne—
The South Is The Place For Me.
Why Has A Cow Got Four Legs.
Cicely Courtneidge.
Piano Selection—'Shall We Dance'.
Intro: Shall we dance; Beginner's Luck; Slap that Bass.
They all laughed; They can't take that away from me; Let's call the whole thing off.
Vivian Ellis.
Comedian—
You Can't Go Away Like That.
Weeping Willow. Max Miller.
Song—
Artificial Flowers.
A Little White Room ('Floodlight')

Frances Day & John Mills.
Fox Trot—Girls Were Made To Love And Kiss.
Waltz—Love Live For Ever And Rule My Heart.
Jack Hylton & His Orchestra.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7 p.m.—12 midnight—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Beethoven Sonata In B Flat Major Op. 22.
Pianofort Solo by Artur Schnabel.
7.25 p.m.—Closing local Stock, Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.30 p.m.—Excerpts from La Boheme (Puccini).
Si, Mi Chiamano Mimì.
Clandia Muzio (Soprano).
O Mimì, Tu Fin Non Torri.
Beniamino Gigli (Tenor) & Giuseppe De Luca (Baritone).
Musetta's Waltz Song.
Grace Moore (Soprano).
O Soave Fanciulla.
Rosetta Pampanini & Dino Borgioli.
Addio, Dolce Svegliare.
Rosetta Pampanini, Dino Borgioli.
Aurora Reatore & Gino Vanelli.
7.50 p.m.—P. Arlesienne Suite (Bizet).
Farandole & Menuet. Sir Thomas Beecham conducting the London Philharmonic Orchestra.
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—John McCormack (Tenor).
Now Sleeps The Crimson Petal (Quilter).
A Fairy Story By The Fire (Merikanto).
Love's Secret (Blake-Hartock).
O Gathering Clouds (Art. Bana).
Piano accomp. by Edwin Schmeider.
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—The Test Match: England v. New Zealand.
commentary on the first day's play by Howard Marshall, from Kensington, London.
8.30 p.m.—Marck Weber & His Orchestra.
Du Und Du—Waltz (Strauss).
Saschinka (Potpourri of Russian Gypsy Songs and Dances) (Schneemann).
The Clock And The Dresden China Figures (Keteibey).
The Skaters—Waltz (Gung'l).

8.50 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
9 p.m.—Solid Rock Road Sports.
9.10 p.m.—New Variety.
Humorous—An Out Flaming.
John Hargreaves and Gladys Howard.
Medley—Hello Blackboard.
Intro: Hello Blackboard; Constanction Waltz; Across the great divide, Bo-Hoo.
Goodnight my love, stay home in Vienna; Outlaw; Hello Blackboard.
Jay Wilton & His Band.
Humorous—
The Three Trees.
No News, Frank Crumit.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—News and Announcements.
9.55 p.m.—Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra from the Grill Room of the Hong Kong Hotel.
1. On a little Bamboo Bridge.
2. You are my best bet.
3. Floating on a Bubble.
4. Do the Sui-Q.
10.10-10.15 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from ZBW.
10.15 p.m.—
5. Your eyes have told me so.
6. Medley of Favourite Waltzes.
7. Will you Remember.
8. Skaters Waltz.
10.30-10.40 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from ZBW.
10.40 p.m.—
9. Turn off the Moon.
10. That's Southern Hospitality.
11. Easy on the Eyes.
12. Ain't Misbehavin'.
10.55-11.00 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from ZBW.
11.00 p.m.—
13. Serenade in the Night.
14. Argentine.
15. The Rumba was born.
16. Josephine, the Cuban Heel.
17. 11.10-11.20 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from ZBW.
11.20 p.m.—
17. What a night of Love.
18. One in a million.
19. Moonlight and Shadows.
20. Blue Heaven.
11.35-11.45 p.m.—Interval of Recorded Dance Music from ZBW.
11.45 p.m.—
21. Where is the Sun.
22. Hot Toddy.
23. Blue Hawaii.
24. Bugle Call Rag.
12 Midnight—Close down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

The Four Aces' System

We have always contended that artificial conventions in slam bidding are entirely unnecessary, and that commonsense tactics coupled with judicious cue-bids will invariably produce the best results. We concede that there are certain rare hands where an artificial convention, which shows high cards in wholesale quantities, will allow a partnership to arrive at a slam where they have the certain knowledge that they hold all the necessary tops. On these occasional hands it is also possible that The Four Aces' system will not allow partners to show each and every high card due to the fact that there are not enough rounds of bidding possible. And yet followers of The Four Aces' system more often arrive at the proper slam contract.

To offset this wholesale ace showing, there are many hands where The Four Aces' slam-bidding tactics permit a partnership to invite a slam without getting beyond game. It then turns out that game is all that can be made and that the artificial bidders have arrived at a contract beyond game. Here is a rather simple slam that was arrived at by two rather inexperienced players who have learned The Four Aces' slam principles.

North, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

S 6 4

H Q J 9 3

D A K 5 3 2

C K 2

S Q 10 8 3 2 W S K J 7 5
H 5 2 W E H 10 7
D Q J 10 7 S D 9 8 5
C 8 3 C A 9 6 4

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
1 D	Pass	1 H	Pass
2 H	Pass	3 C	Pass
3 H	Pass	3 S	Pass
4 C	Pass	6 H	Pass
Pass	Pass		

When South called three clubs after his partner had raised his one-heart bid to two, North could not immediately tell whether or not that bid was a slam invitation. However, after North returned to three hearts (his hand practically warrants a four-heart bid) and South called three spades, North knew that his partner was definitely interested in a slam. While North held little over a minimum bid, he did have fine trump support and in addition the king of clubs, a card which he could show without getting the partnership beyond game. Over three spades he therefore bid four clubs, the key-bid of the hand. South was now enabled to jump to six hearts, since he knew his partner had a high honour in clubs (it might have been the ace), and in addition probably the ace-king of diamonds to take care of his losing spade.

Please note that the king of spades would have been useless, and had North failed to show his high honour in clubs South would undoubtedly have allowed the bidding to die at four hearts and an easy slam would have been missed.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"More than a Secretary", with Jean Arthur, George Brent, Lionel Stander, Reginald Denny and Charles Halton. The exploits of a bespectacled prim proprietress of a business school, who is forced to take a position as private secretary to the editor of a health magazine, a violent health addict.

AT THE ALHAMBRA—"Oh, Doctor", Edward Everett Horton portrays a fellow who thinks he has every sickness in a patent medicine almanac. He signs over his inheritance to a band of crooks for a \$50,000 cash advance. A beautiful young nurse outwits the crooks and helps save Horton from their scheme. The cast includes Donnie Leighton, William Hall, Eve Arden, Thurston Hall, Catharine Doucet and William Demarest.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"Mary Stevens, M.D.", featuring Kay Francis as an unmarried doctor who decides to have a baby. The cast is supported by Glenda Farrell and George Cooper.

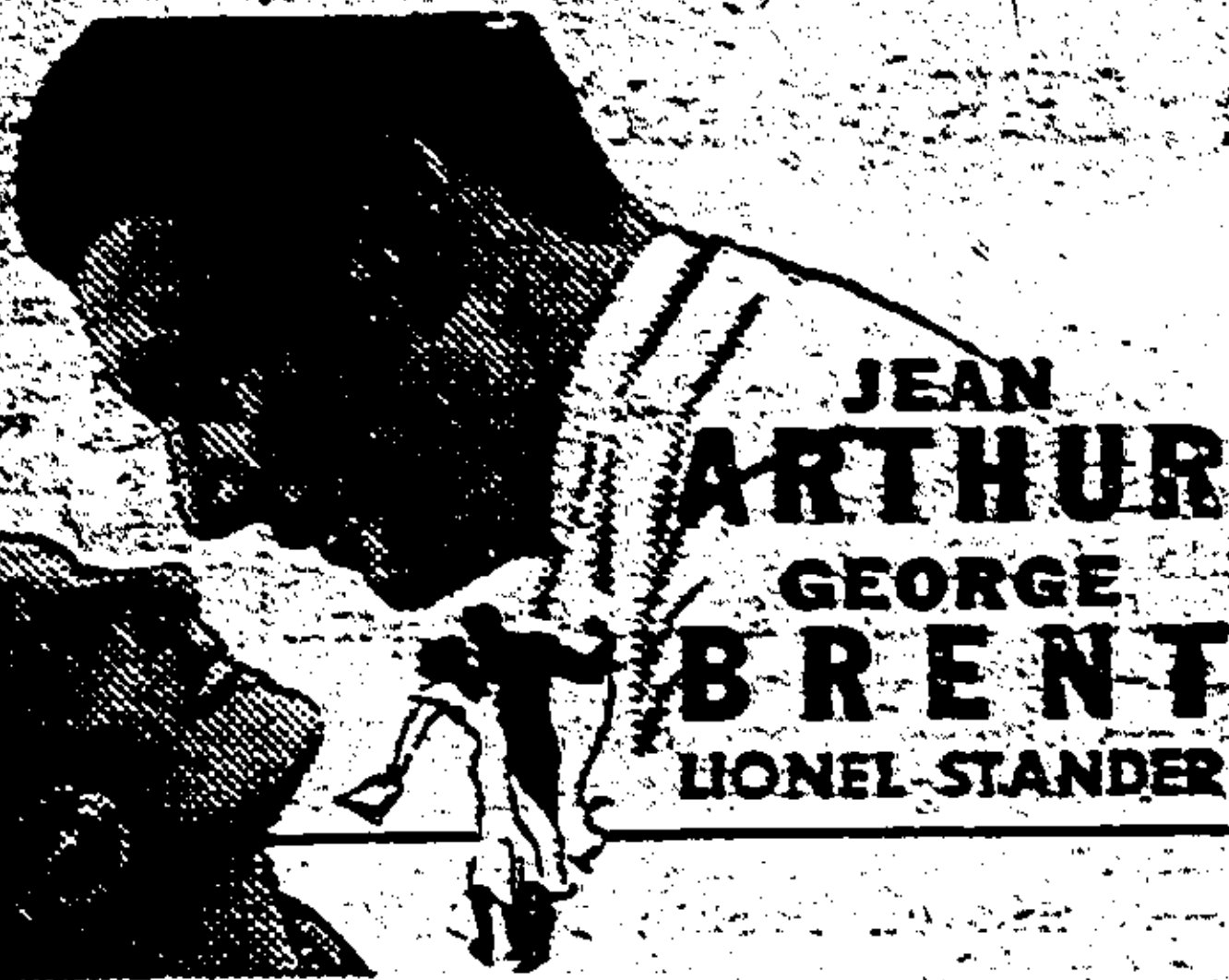
AT THE ORIENTAL—"Sea Devils", with Victor McLaglen, Preston Foster and Ida Lupino. A colourful tale of courage and romance in the lives of the United States Coast Guard.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Don't Tell The Wife", Una Merkel and Lynne Overman share featured honours with Guy Kibbee in this comedy which is an uproarious story of a group of suave crooks who attempt to clean up a fortune in selling worthless stocks. The supporting cast includes Thurston Hall, Guinn Williams, William Demarest, Lucille Ball, Harry Tyler and Frank M. Thomas. Also the World's heavy weight Championship bout between Joe Louis and James Braddock.



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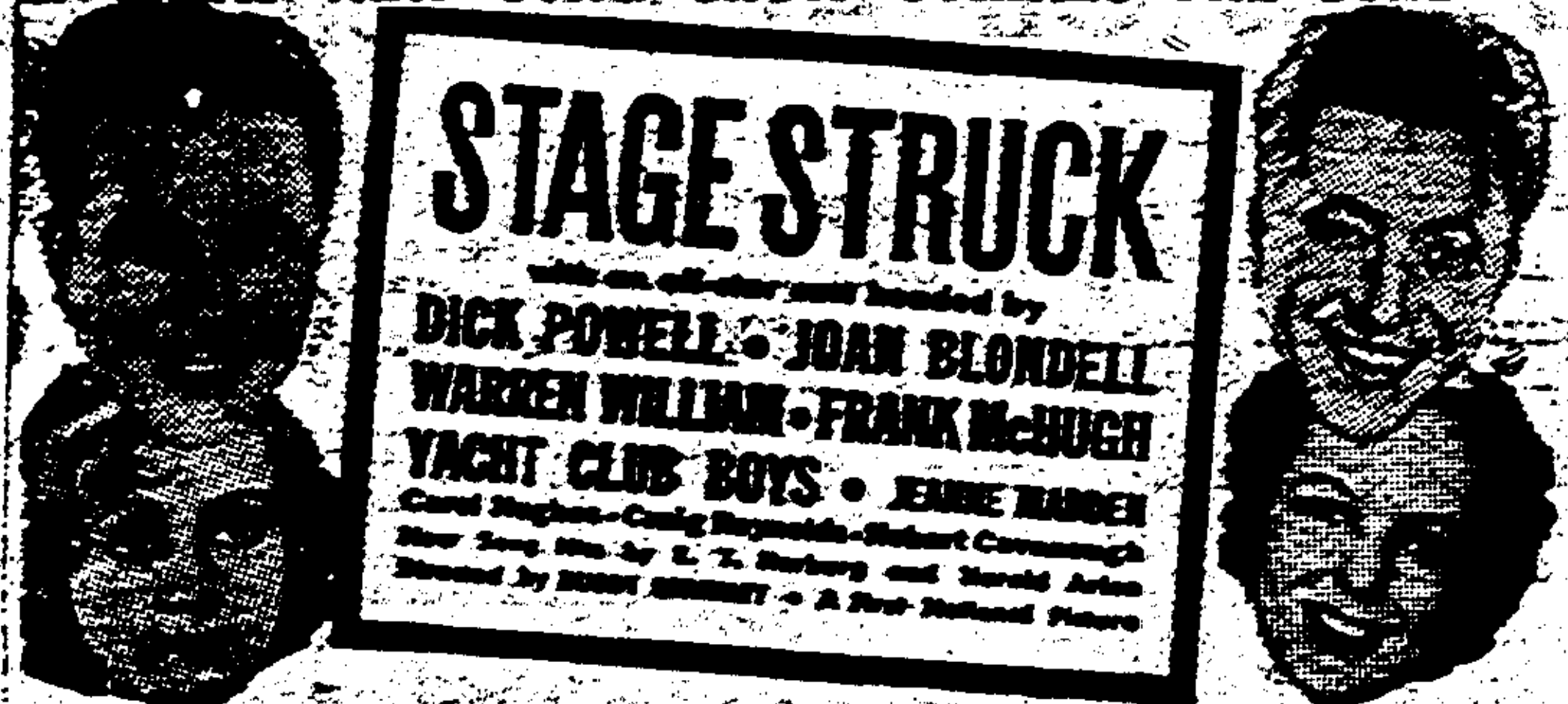
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NATHAN ROAD
LIGHTING UNDER
DISCUSSION

Nathan Road lighting was again discussed at the monthly meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, held on Tuesday, in St. Andrew's Church Hall.

Those present were: Mr. B. Wylie (President), Mr. F. C. Mow Fung (Vice-President), Mr. R. Baldwin (Hon. Secretary), Hon. Mr. L. D'Almada, Messrs. J. M. Alves, B. W. Bradbury, W. C. Felshaw, Lam Ming Fan, Li Chor Chi, D. W. Munton, L. N. Murray, R. Pestonji, C. E. Terry, T. B. Wilson, and Miss R. Mow Fung. Apologies or absence were received from Rev. J. R. Higgs and Mr. C. M. Manners.

Correspondence regarding drainage and sanitation at Kowloon City, the use of night soil manure near Prince Edward Road, Bus Services, the Leprosy Report, and traffic matters, was read and approved.

A letter from Government advising that the period of the appointment of the Rev. J. R. Higgs as a member of the Board of Education would expire on August 8, and inviting the Association to forward a recommendation for a further appointment was read. It was agreed to again nominate the Rev. J. R. Higgs for this office.

It was decided to write and thank the Kowloon Motor Bus Co., for increasing the length of bus stages, and for its assurance that the conveyance of scholars to the various schools would be given further consideration.

BUS ROUTE

In view of letters received regarding the No. 8 Bus route, after some discussion, it was agreed that a letter be written to the Traffic Board, reiterating the desirability of making the Star Ferry the terminus of that route.

The possibility of running semi-express buses from Kowloon Tong to Star Ferry was also discussed. The Bus Services Sub-Committee were asked to investigate and report at the next meeting.

The Hon. Secretary reported that after having sent copies of the Leprosy Report to Government, the members of the General Committee, and those who had replied to the Association's questionnaire, there remained a limited number of spare copies. He would be pleased to forward a copy to any member of the Association on application.

The neglected condition of an enclosed piece of land in Essex Crescent, Kowloon Tong, was mentioned, and it was left to the Children's Playgrounds Sub-committee to make enquiries.

NATHAN ROAD LIGHTING

The inadequate lighting of Nathan Road was again discussed, reference being made to the excellence of the lamp which had been fitted for experimental purposes between the Alhambra Theatre and Waterloo Road. It was decided to write to Government again, urging that the matter be taken in hand, and that, if possible, lamps of that type be installed.

A letter from a member drawing attention to several traffic matters was referred to the Traffic Sub-committee for consideration and write to Government on the subject

SENATOR
BLACK'S
JUDGESHIP

Washington, To-day.
The Senate sub-committee yesterday voted, by 5 votes to 1, for immediate approval of the nomination of Senator Hugo Black of Alabama for the vacant seat in the United States Supreme Court, following the retirement of Mr. Justice Vandervanter.
Senator Austin (Republican) was the only dissident.—Reuter.

CORRESPONDENCE

Re Annual Outing
To Blind Girls

Sir,—The Christ Church Group of the V. D. M. A. are this year undertaking to make arrangements for the eleventh annual outing for the inmates of the Industrial Home for Blind Girls at Pokfulam which will take place on Saturday, 25th September.

May I, once again, through the columns of your esteemed paper, appeal to the public for their generous support this year as has been accorded in the past both in the way of donations and of loan of cars.

Acknowledgments, with your kind permission, will be made in your paper from time to time of all contributions and/or offers of loans of cars and I shall be very glad to receive these which may be addressed to me c/o Colonial Secretary's Office.

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Man's Novel Methods

An unemployed seaman named Simak has attracted public interest in Budapest by his original method of looking for a job.

Each day Simak walks or cycles from his village, miles distant from the capital, barefooted and wearing a notice to say that he speaks eight languages and seeks any form of employment.

Although only twenty-six years of age Simak has had an adventurous past.

At twelve years old he was accidentally hustled into a batch of children who were being taken to Holland, and liked life in that country so well that he escaped when the batch was being entrained back to Hungary.

He found employment on an Italian commercial steamer, and after more than two year's service landed at Marseilles, spent his pay on travelling, and took employment again on one of the German Lloyd boats.

Simak's ambition to see America was never gratified. Having arrived there as a stowaway seven times he was obliged to return to Europe without seeing anything beyond the Statue of Liberty.

report.

The dangerous nature of the corner at the junction of the Taiipo Road and the Lai Chi Kok Road was discussed. It was decided to draw Government's attention to the advisability of rounding off this corner.

It was also suggested that the piece of land near this corner between Taiipo and Lai Chi Kok Roads might quite easily be converted into a small park. It was decided to write to Government on the subject

PHILIPPINE COMMISSION PASSING THROUGH H.K. IN PRESIDENT HOOVER

The Commission which is to study the problems associated with the grant of independence to the Philippine Islands arrived in the President Hoover last night.

The Commission is headed by Mr. John Van A. MacMurray, veteran Far Eastern diplomat and present American Ambassador to Turkey.

The American committee is pushing forward rapidly with plans for a thorough investigation of possible changes in the Tydings-McDuffie Independence Act. Hearings were held in San Francisco more or less as a perfunctory gesture before the committee sailed.

Major investigations will take place in the Philippines themselves, in co-operation with Filipino members of the committee, and a report will be presented sometime around the end of the year.

Long Experience

Mr. MacMurray had long experience in the Orient, was chief of the division of Far Eastern affairs and an Assistant Secretary of State. He had an important part in the Washington Naval Conference and in various Chinese negotiations.

A complicated task faces the joint committee, American members of which are drawn from the State Department, the Department of Commerce, the War Department and the Tariff Commission. It must determine what states is best adapted to further economic independence for the Philippines, with the tacit assumption that some change from the export taxes scheduled to go into effect in 1940 is likely. But the economic situation is recognised to be partly dependent on the political status of the islands, and there is a movement led by President Quezon to secure immediate and complete independence in a year or two. A substantial group in the American Congress supports this drive.

Relations Difficult

American-Philippine relations are getting no better, it would seem at long-range view, from the series of incidents which have ensued for whatever cause ever since Mr. Paul V. McNutt, former Governor of Indiana, arrived in Manila as High Commissioner.

The recent controversy, in Manila showed Commissioner McNutt seeking to explain through conferences with newspapers, statements he made on July 4 which aroused Filipino sensibilities and were taken to be derogatory to their capacity for self-government. However, it was understood when Mr. McNutt ac-

LONDON WANTS MORE WOMEN IN POLICE FORCE

More women police are wanted in London.

Advertisements to this effect have led to questions being asked. Are the "women in blue" depleting the ranks by getting married?

The answer is "No." During the past two years, only one woman policeman has left to be married, and she makes only the third since the service was instituted.

The fact of the matter is that the women are proving themselves peculiarly useful and are finding their work so interesting that they are reluctant to give it up even for the making of a home of their own. Their numbers are actually to be increased.

The London woman "bobby" has many duties to perform which the ordinary public does not see. Besides the usual patrol of the streets and open spaces, and the work performed at the police station, she may be called upon to undertake any duty from that of travelling to a distant city to bring back a woman suspect to that of investigating in the guise of a smart society woman the questionable activities of a night club.

For such diverse requirements she is expected to attain a high standard of adaptability. Women of the Metropolitan Force, it is officially stated, must be exceptionally alert, and must possess those "graces of character" which are expressed in kindness, tolerance, and a real sense of humor. Moreover, they must be able, as occasion demands, to look "right" either in the most luxurious evening apparel or in garments of the slums.

London's policewomen number 80 at present. Twenty-six of these have been recruited to the force since September, 1936. A further 50 are now to don the "blue," bringing the number up to 130.

cepted the appointment from President Roosevelt his term of office would be brief.

Britain To Keep 14-Inch Guns Despite America

London, July 12.—It is assumed in naval circles here to-day that Britain will only mount 14-inch guns in her five new battleships despite the American decision announced Saturday to have 16-inch guns on her two new ships started last January.

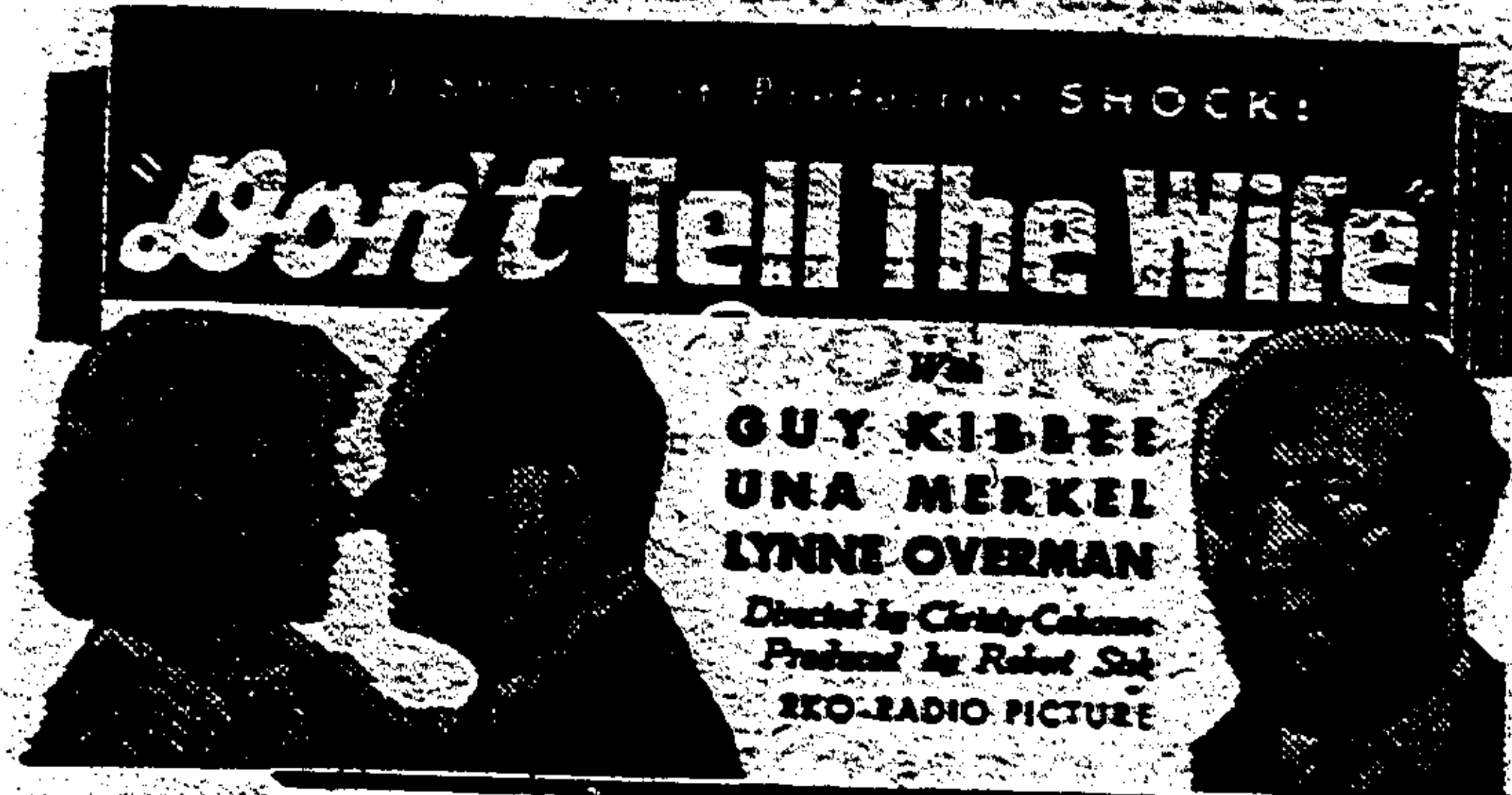
While there is an influential school which urges that Britain cannot afford not to follow Japan's example which the United States has now emulated, a considerable body of expert British opinion takes the view that the 14-inch gun is

the largest that can be safely mounted on a 35,000-ton ship. The battle of Jutland is also cited as proof that the smaller gun sometimes has the advantage over the larger. Moreover, the new British 14-inch guns are understood to be unusually efficient.

The American decision is not expected to make any difference to treaties which have just been negotiated by Britain with Germany and the U. S. S. R. whereby those two powers adhere to what is left of the London Treaty. These two treaties are expected to be signed this week.

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Astounding Hongkew Scenes: Japanese Smash Lights

Shanghai, To-day.

British police in the International Settlement watched powerless last night as Japanese civilians, including women, armed with clubs, smashed all lights in the Hongkew district.

The police, however, were allowed by the Japanese marines to disperse Chinese looters who tried to break into evacuated shops in this area.

Meanwhile, with the fighting growing more and more serious, the large Chinese population on the Chapei border are now preparing to withdraw to the south side of the Soochow Creek.

The plight of the unfortunate

Chinese refugees is strikingly exemplified by the attempt of a number of mothers to sell their infants, some of which were sold at \$3 each.—Reuter.

MARTIAL LAW ON RAILWAY

Nanking, To-day.

The Chinese Government has proclaimed martial law over the Nanking-Shanghai and Shanghai-Hangchow Railways zones.—Hua Nan.

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TO-MORROW TO TUESDAY

UNITED STATES CLAIMS INTEREST IN CHANGE OF STATUS IN PALESTINE

Washington, To-day.

In the course of an exchange of Notes between Great Britain and the United States, the latter asked for an assurance that the rights of the United States Government and its citizens will be protected under any change in the Palestine Mandate.

The United States based its claim on the Anglo-American Convention of 1924.

The Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, now asks that any proposals for modifying the Mandate be communicated to Washington in ample time to enable the Government to make observations, if necessary, with a view to preserving American rights.—Reuter.

LYNCHING BILL POSTPONED

Washington, To-day.

The Senate yesterday passed a resolution to postpone discussion of the Lynching Bill until the next session of Congress.—Reuter.

FRANCE FORCED TO CLOSE DOOR TO REFUGEES

Paris, To-day.

The French Government is unable to allow more Spanish refugees to enter France.

Official notification of this decision was conveyed yesterday to the British Government, who are instructing British shipping companies accordingly.

It is stated that 45,000 Spanish refugees have already reached France.—Reuter.

LISTENING-IN TO MOSCOW HIGH TREASON

Berlin, To-day.

Five men and one woman were sentenced to terms of imprisonment up to 2½ years in Bremen yesterday for preparing high treason.

They were alleged to have formed a group to listen in to the Moscow radio station in the house of a married couple.

Listening in to Russian radio stations is a punishable offence in Germany.—Reuter.

Basques Flee Before Franco's Army



Driven to the extremity of deserting their homes, these Basque refugees are shown on the quay at Santander, Spain, as they wait to board ships which will take them away from the danger zone. General Franco's rebel forces are reported gaining ground near Santander.

DR. KUNG ON CHINA CRISIS

Japan's Cherished Dream Of Hegemony In Asia

MAD POLICY OF MILITARISTS

Berlin, To-day.

"The present conflict in North China is a further step in Japan's programme of territorial expansion on the mainland," declared the Chinese Minister of Finance, Dr. H. H. Kung, in an interview with Reuter's correspondent yesterday.

Dr. Kung added: "It is but another phase in her cherished dream, particularly dear to the die-hard militarists, for hegemony in Asia and supremacy over the Western Powers.

"By tricking General Sung Cheh-yuan into the belief that they were sincerely seeking a local settlement, the Japanese militarists launched a surprise attack on the Chinese troops, forcing them to withdraw from Peiping and Tientsin.

"If a major conflict must come, China can have no alternative but to resist force with force.

JAPAN'S FOLLY

"Personally, I believe there are reasonable and far-sighted statesmen in Japan who will see the folly and ultimate disaster to Japan in the mad policy of the militarists.

"Unfortunately they are dominated by the militarists, who are fanatical in the belief in 'Japan's sacred mission' in the world."

Dr. Kung concluded by expressing the hope that saner and more far-sighted views would arise in Japan to restrain the militarists.

MORE AGREEMENTS

Before his departure for Prague, Dr. Kung took luncheon with the German Defence Minister, Field-Marshal Werner von Blomberg, and other high officers and officials of the War Ministry.

Subsequently it was announced that he had signed an agreement with Swiss and Dutch bankers for substantial credits to China. — Reuter.

LONDON ON CRISIS

All Other News In Background

London, To-day.

The Shanghai conflict has caused a sensation in England, the newspapers putting all other news into the background. The safety of the large British population of Shanghai is discussed by most of the papers.

Meanwhile a report from Tokyo says that fire was opened by two Japanese warships in the Whangpoo yesterday to cover the landing of Japanese soldiers at Yangtsepoo. — Trans-Ocean.

SOVIET AID TO CHINA ALLEGED

And Denied

Moscow, To-day.

Reports from Japanese and German sources that the Soviet is allegedly taking some part in the military operations in China by sending military advisers and so

AMAZING SCENES IN LONDON CLOUDBURST

LONDON, TO-DAY.

LONDON'S SPELL OF DRY WEATHER WITH HIGH TEMPERATURES CAME TO A SUD- DEN END YESTERDAY IN THUNDERSTORMS WHICH RESULTED IN SEVERE FLOODING IN MANY DISTRICTS AND CAUSED CONSIDERABLE DISLOCATION OF TRAFFIC.

Knightsbridge was flooded at one time to a depth of five feet and woodblocks in a stretch from the French Embassy to the Egyptian Legation were forced up so as to make the road impassable.

Heavy afternoon traffic westwards was diverted through Belgrave Square.

In the west of London, the Underground Railway traffic was also interrupted by the deluge which flooded the tracks where they emerge from the tunnels.

Position was particularly bad at Acton and Ealing and the London Passenger Transport Board caused notices to be posted at all stations warning passengers of the hold-up of traffic west of Hammersmith.

REMARKABLE SCENES

Rain fell with tropical violence for an hour in Barnet and traffic was held up by kerb-high floods in the High Street which is part of the Great North Road.

In the lowest part of the district the drains could not cope with the storm water and the manhole covers blew up and water poured out in six feet high columns flooding the houses.

Kilburn was another district which suffered severely and long stretches of the Edgware Road — the ancient Roman Watling Street — had to be closed to traffic.

Damage by lightning was slight and the London Fire Brigade had only one call as a result of the storm which raged round and over London for most of the morning and afternoon. — British Wireless.

forth, are malicious inventions not requiring any comments, according to Tass, the Soviet news agency. — Reuter.

CALEDONIA READY FOR NEW FLIGHT

London, To-day.

The Imperial Airways flying-boat Caledonia left Southampton for Foynes, Ireland, yesterday, preparatory to the first daylight flight from Ireland to Newfoundland. — Reuter.

SPANISH TANKER TORPEDOED

London, To-day.

Three were killed and 12 injured when the Spanish Government destroyer Churucha was struck by an insurgent torpedo in the Mediterranean.

The vessel escaped total destruction and managed to return to a Government port.

A Spanish oil tanker is also reported to have been torpedoed and to have been sunk. Hitherto none of the crew have been saved. — Reuter.

Trans-Ocean adds that the Churucha limped into Cartagena harbour, where she is now being examined.

Another Government destroyer, the Almirante Antiques, was attacked at the same time.

GENEVA NOT SATISFIED BY PALESTINE PLAN

Geneva, To-day.

The Permanent Mandates Commission yesterday issued a statement saying that the British proposals regarding Palestine are too vague and are unworkable, though the Commission did not propose to give an alternative plan.

The British Secretary for the Colonies, Mr. Ormsby-Gore, answered further questions regarding British mandatory rule in the Holy Land. — Reuter.

ARGENTINE AGITATION ON DESTROYER SALE

Buenos Aires, To-day.

The Argentine press and public are surprised and indignant at the proposal of the United States to sell six cruisers and destroyers to Brazil.

The press stated yesterday that this step would nullify the results of the recent Pan-American Conference sponsored by President Roosevelt. — Reuter.

MR. C.G. ALABASTER RESUMES OFFICE

The following official appointments are announced:—

Mr. E. W. Davies to be an Official Justice of the Peace.

Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster resumed duty as Attorney General.

Mr. J. A. Fraser attached to the Attorney General's Department.

Miss A. M. Mackie to be a Nursing Sister.

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CAN A WIFE REALLY

ANN BOVILL SAYS YES!

LAST Sunday I had an argument with the young man you see on this page. He maintains that on the whole a wife is more of a hindrance than a help to her husband as far as his work goes. I don't agree.

And as I would like my readers' own personal opinions about this, I will give you both sides of the question.

"Marriage," said Mr. Corbett, "is all gain for a woman. She gets name, protection, security. For a man it means ties, responsibilities, increased expenses, the end of independence. He mustn't take risks or gamble on the future. At all times he must play for safety."

"And yet," I expostulated mildly, "I can think of hundreds of women — the wives of successful men — who devote all their energies to making their husbands' jobs a success."

"You're thinking of the wives of ambassadors, housemasters and Cabinet Ministers — they form a tiny majority jacked up with financial security," said Mr. Corbett. "Even so I won't alter my opinion. They, too, would probably be more successful — if not happier — without a wife's influence."

Further, Mr. Corbett insisted that a man's struggle for success is a whole-time job. Relaxation must be complete. No strain, or irritating restrictions. A man's choice is between success and marriage.

The Last Straw!

This is where I finally crossed swords with Mr. Corbett.

Naturally there are exceptions to every rule and there must be some successful bachelors (Godfrey Winn, for example), but most of the successful men who come to my mind are married, and have been helped in their careers by their wives.

It is their home life, in my opinion, that gives them relaxation. It is their wives who give them self confidence, and their sympathy and interest the courage and will to tackle daily difficulties.

But don't imagine I'm only thinking of the top-notch minority, I am just as concerned with all the ordinary, unspectacular people who form the backbone of this country.

I was thinking of success as a relative thing, and I had visions of the thousands of splendid wives who give up their whole lives in the effort to make their husbands comfortable and happy.

The wives who run their houses perfectly on almost nothing a week.

The wives who spend the day scrubbing and cleaning and looking after the children until they are exhausted.

Yet these wives are not too tired to change into an attractive frock and have a delicious supper ready for their lord and master by the time he returns from his office.

They are ready to listen to "shop" and to help and advise on any problems he produces.

Are these women really a drag on their husbands?

Fussy Women

Mr. Corbett says "yes."

"It sounds all right when you put it like that," he agreed, "but these are the fussers, the clucking hens. Do you deny that sort is

an affliction? She takes herself fussing — I wonder how many men delayed at work and the dinner is too seriously, and ends up by who have wives who see that they bringing him into the Divorce Court!"

"Anyhow," he said, "a woman confuses interest with curiosity. She adores gossip, and rarely knows when to stop. Just think how often a tactless, indiscreet wife has ruined her husband!"

Hugh Corbett: That's all right in theory. But go a step further.

HELPER HUSBAND?

"Many a man's career has been wrecked by his wife's anxiety to go one better than her neighbour and be first with the news."

Freedom From Domestic Responsibility

Ann Bovill: You are talking about exceptional types. The majority of wives take a load of responsibility off their husbands' shoulders by giving them a smoothly-run home and freedom from domestic responsibility. As for

HUGH CORBETT SAYS NO!

That type of wife wants her husband to tell her all about his day's work in the evening. He probably longs to forget all about it. Men don't want women to interfere in their work, ringing them up at their office during the day to say, "Don't be late, the Jenkinses are coming to supper," and wearing a martyred look each time they are

private pleasures, like smoking and drinking, which fortify him for better work. But she resents his discretion in matters touching his work, his business contracts, and sudden invasion of business interests. She is suspicious of his women acquaintances, his necessarily charming manner towards his boss's wife and daughters, and the women in his office. She feels neglected when he has to be away on business trips.

Expense of A Wife

A. B.: Nonsense!
H. C.: But it isn't. Anyway, you can't deny the extra expense involved by a wife. . . . It's no good telling me that two can live for the price of one. They can. But they can't dress, be ill, travel, go places and do things for the price of one. A married man needs larger quarters than a bachelor. And when he entertains it means a more formal show. Much that is forgiven a single man would damn a married one.

A. B.: A single man usually lives a very uncomfortable life unless he's got plenty of money. And believe me, food in a restaurant costs three times what it does at home. A wife probably saves the expense of someone to "do for him." She saves on his laundry bills. She mends his clothes and makes them last longer. And since you harp so on the money side of it, how about the wives who have jobs as well as keeping house for a husband?

He Must Consider His Wife's Feelings

H. C.: Oh! yes, I allow that there are women who are willing to go on working after marriage, but most men don't want their wives to work. They prefer to cherish the illusion of superiority. And here's another big restriction. A husband faced with an important decision affecting his future must consider his wife's feelings. He daren't decide on the spur of the moment. If she objects to a change and he humours her maybe he loses the chance of a lifetime.
A. B.: No good wife would set her own feelings in the way of her husband's advancement.

H. C.: Some wives do. And the husband lets love blind him.

My final argument is that a single man can leave an unprogressive job and make good in a new one. A married man can't afford to start again from the beginning.

A. B.: He ought to be certain of his job before he marries.

H. C.: Maybe the job's not so certain of him! No, marriage is all right for a man once he's established. But even then he must take care that his wife doesn't disestablish him!

THE WORLD GOES BY By "ULYSSES"

FEW people reading the story of the swarms of locusts that threatened Kenya Colony from the Red Sea coasts realised that the whole thing had been arranged as a publicity stunt for the film "The Good Earth."

You might well ask how it was arranged, which only shows how ignorant you are of publicity methods and the enterprise and ingenuity of publicity agents.

Long before the film was shown publicly men had gone out into the far corners of the world hiring locusts at the usual super's fee of a pound a day. (Yes, there were roughly fifty billion locusts and this is where film capital goes if you want to know).

Hiring the locusts was a comparatively simple thing. All you had to do was to find the locusts and tell them to be on location, weather permitting, at such a place, at such and such a time.

The real difficulty was making up fifty billion teeny-weeny box lunches. One of the major problems was, "Do locusts like ham sandwiches, and and if they do, who's going to cut them?"

Nobody could be found to cut them, so they eventually decided on egg sandwiches. Each sandwich was one thousandth of an inch square and one millionth of an inch thick, and the man who had to put one grain of salt on each went out of his mind.

So did the man who had to fit them into teeny-weeny boxes.

And so did the man who had to cut up the tomatoes.

And so did the man who had to cut up the eggs.

And so did the man who had to cut off the crusts.

And so shall I if I go on writing about the blasted things any more.

Brighter Law

Such a good time was had by all in the Lord Chief Justice's court recently, when Mr. Leslie Henson kept the house rocking and was

nearly recalled for an encore ("We're sorry to lose him"—Lord Hewart) that a repeat performance is likely to be given shortly.

In addition, Mr. Henson may be asked to sign a contract as permanent star "feed" or "stooge" to Mr. Justice Cheese, whose outstanding work in *Rex v. Fiddle* and *Elsie Binder v. The Government of Paraguay, ex parte the Snapfast Patent Suspender-Button Company, Ltd.*, is fresh in the minds of his myriad fans.

The critics described this last performance as a riot, a wow, and a whirlwind, and accurately (for once) predicted the case would run a year.

Next time you pass the Law Courts, look at the new frame of photographs hanging outside the great main door, showing Mr. Justice Cheese in his best recent roles.

Will any frequenter of the West End courts ever forget that famous "surprise" blackface entrance in *Nigerian Waterways v. Mrs. Ivy Tremble and Old Trusty Synthetic Milk, Ltd.*?

Dumb Friends' Corner

Having listened to a little actress at a party the other night giving a perfectly divine, my dear, imitation of another little actress, we thought it our simple duty afterwards to remind her of an ominous remark of Johnson to Boswell. "I remember a lady of quality in this town," said the Doctor, "who was a wonderful mimic, and used to make me laugh immoderately. I have heard she is now gone mad." Trilling with gaiety like silver bells, the little actress assured us she had nothing to fear; at the same time rather feverishly flicking two or three lighted matches off our sleeve.

We thought that pretty significant, especially as they weren't lighted matches at all, but Japanese lady-birds in cricket pads.

SOVIET POLAR FLIERS MAKING PROGRESS

BATTLING HEADWINDS NEAR POLE

London, To-day.

Colonel Gromoff, leader of the Soviet trans-Polar non-stop flight in July, prophesied in London last night that within two years a regular service would be established between Moscow and San Francisco or New York.

The flight, he said, would take only 24 hours irrespective of weather conditions.

Meanwhile a message from New York states that terrific head-winds beyond the North Pole have delayed the Soviet trans-Polar fliers who are making the third Russia-U.S.A. flight, for four hours.

The machine as a result is not expected to arrive at Fairbanks, Alaska, until 1 p.m. (British Standard Time) to-day.

Three radio messages were received in Moscow in the early hours of yesterday morning from the chief pilot of the plane.

The first message, which reached the Russian capital at 2.20 (Moscow time), gave the machine's position as 70.20 degrees north and 45.15 degrees west. The airmen were then flying above the clouds at a height of 7,500 feet.

The temperature was given as 25 degrees below zero, Centigrade.

The second message was received in Moscow at 3.50 and said that owing to unfavourable weather conditions, the pilot had been compelled to make for the directional wireless station on Alexander Island instead of flying straight for Prince Rudolf Island. This meant an alteration in course of about fifteen degrees.

A later message received at 4.23 merely gave the position of the plane as 76.52 north and 44.50 west.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

A WASHINGTON RELIC

Addition To Sulgrave Manor Collection

The Washington Manor House, Sulgrave, Northamptonshire, has just added to its collection of Washington relics a letter, hitherto unpublished, written by George Washington to his nephew George Augustus Washington.

The letter was written at Philadelphia of September 2, 1787, and deals with various domestic matters, such as the crops and the weather, the payment of school bills, the exactions of his tailor, the provision of blankets for certain dependants in his household, and the inquiries of a painter whose decoration of his houses had not come up to expectations.

The letter is to be placed on exhibition with other Washington relics of Sulgrave Manor.

At a garden party given at the Manor House by Earl Spencer and other members of the Sulgrave Manor Board, a copy of the letter was presented to Mr. R. W. Bingham, the American Ambassador, and a photograph of it has been made for preservation at Washington in the Library of Congress.

NAVAL BATTLE OFF SPAIN

Valencia, To-day.

A naval battle occurred yesterday between the Government destroyer Ciscar and the Nationalist vessels Jupiter and Ciudad de Cadiz.

Although the Nationalist warships were accompanied by armed trawlers, messages from Gijon state that the Jupiter is reported to have been seriously damaged.—Reuter.

THE APE MAN

Creature Who Hunts With Jackals

An "ape man" living at Skoura—an out-of-the-way oasis in the Saharan region of Morocco—is attracting great interest among travellers and tourists.

This weird creature, known as Asso, has most of the physical qualities of the ape—narrow sloping forehead, heavy arches to the eyes, large pouting lips, receding chin, short neck, wide chest, and abnormally long arms. But his body is hairless like a human.

He has no powers of speech beyond a gibberish chattering, which he seldom employs except when angered.

The Berbers of Skoura say that Asso can travel over sixty miles a day as quickly and with much less fatigue than a horse, and that he can climb date palms with the agility of an ape. They swear that at night time he wanders into the desert, where he runs with the herds of gazelle and hunts with the jackals.

All that civilisation has taught Asso is the value of money. He sits waiting with outstretched arm for people to dismount from the rickety native buses which visit Skoura. The money so gained goes to an old Berber woman who has adopted Asso, and has found him very profitable.

EIGHT DIE IN HANOVER AIR CRASH

Berlin, To-day.

The eight occupants of a new aeroplane for a passenger service were killed when the machine crashed at Hanover airport yesterday.

The plane burst into flames after it had plunged to earth.—Reuter.

COUP D'ETAT IN PARAGUAY

Asuncion, To-day.

A swift and bloodless coup d'etat effected by naval forces under Colonel Parades yesterday has overthrown the Paraguayan Government.

The President, Colonel Rafael Franco, has taken refuge in the Military College but Colonel Parades states he will be allowed to retain his Presidency.

Colonel Parades insisted, however, that the Government must go. The Government went.—Reuter.

Colonel Franco, who is Provisional President, was placed in office by a military junta in February last year.

Hymns At Football Matches

Singing of hymns at football matches was criticised by the Bishop of Durham, Dr. Hensley Henson, speaking at Durham Cathedral early this month.

"There seems to be an assumption in the minds of many religious people," he said, "that so long as men and women can be brought to sing hymns, they will be spiritually the better for the process—that a taking melody will command words will serve the singer's need."

"Thousands of people gathered to witness a football match will sing with ardour 'Abide with me'! This means little or nothing."

"It is with singing as with preaching. There is a real spiritual danger in using words without any secure connection with their meanings."

Indian Police Constables Found Shot Dead

A startling double tragedy was discovered in the Taipo Police district early this morning, the victims being Indian constables of the H.K. Police Force.

Only a brief report has been received of the affair so far, stating that at Tai Me Tuk this morning, the bodies were found of P.C. D449, Kaka Singh, and of P.C. D309, Arjan Singh.

Both had bullet wounds in the body and it is believed to be a case of murder and suicide.

The police reconstruction of the affair suggests that Kaka Singh was murdered by Arjan Singh, who afterwards took his own life.

WORLD'S YOUNGEST GRANDMOTHER

Budapest, Yesterday.

The distinction of being the youngest grandmother in the world is claimed by the Budapest newspapers for Mrs. Maria Minarits, the wife of the burgomaster of the Hungarian village of Bajesa, who recently celebrated her 29th birthday and has just given birth to another son.

Mrs. Minarits became the wife of the present burgomaster, Jean Minarits, before she was quite fourteen years old, the bridegroom being then 26. A special ministerial permit was obtained. Exactly nine months after the wedding, Mrs. Minarits gave birth to a daughter, Anna, who likewise married at the age of fourteen and has just given birth to her first child.—Trans-Ocean.

German Cultists Fined For Baptismal Rites

Frankfort-Am-Main.

A group of Seventh Day adventists were fined by a special court here yesterday for having baptised a number of children in the little River Nidda in accordance with the rites peculiar to that sect. The youngsters underwent complete immersion, while the officiating cleric simultaneously plunged a skull into the water with them.—Havas.

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TOO MUCH CIRCUS

History has a way of not quite repeating itself, which makes the similarities between one episode and another all the more interesting. When the Japanese army overran Manchuria in September, 1931, the pretext was a bombing of a railroad in which they had an interest to protect. Who bombed the railroad is still a question. The movements of Japanese troops in China to-day have an origin as obscure. There had been some shooting. Whether Japanese or Chinese troops started it will soon be one of those questions that does not matter, if indeed the question has not already become quite unimportant.

And here arises another arresting similarity between developments to which the interested Powers are attempting to apply outside restraint and those which in 1931 engaged the attention of all signatories to the violated Nine Power Pact. Not only are Mr. Cordell Hull and Mr. Eden still reminding the Japanese and Chinese governments of their interest in peace in the Far East and indeed, in the world, but the reminder will reach a Japan in which liberal and moderate elements such as Mr. Stimson hoped to strengthen at the time of the Manchurian crisis were again beginning to assert themselves.

Thus in some measure Mr. Hull's tactics must be, as Mr. Stimson has recounted that his had to be, to help to meet the Japanese mailed fist without taking off diplomacy's silk gloves—to show disapproval in such a way as to help what little liberalism exists in the Japanese Government rather than in a way which might only result in further embarrassing it.

Still other phases of the new crisis which are only variations on a continuous theme are: Shooting between the two sides preceded instead of following diplomatic forays.

Internal conditions in Japan are still such as to warrant suspicion that this business has some of the same side-show aspects as that which diverted Japanese public opinion from domestic troubles in 1931.

...and the danger of a dangerous arrangement, continues, in Japanese government whereby the military authorities are not responsible to the civil authorities, and usually with an eagerness to rush in where responsible national leaders would fear to tread.

Again, the threat to China from Japan is timed with that shrewd estimation of the world's preoccupations that may be found in most records of national expansion. When Japan moved on Manchuria, Europe was concerned over German rearmament, when she moves on China, Europe dares not take its eyes off Spain.

Echoes of the much-heralded and then partly repudiated understanding between Japan and Germany are roused by one of the demands Japan is now pressing on China: to help fight Communism. But it seems unlikely that a connection exists between the move of the Far East's quasi-Fascists and the policies of Fascist powers in Europe. It does happen, however, that this demand appears to set up two rings in the ideological circus and has the effect of keeping the world's neck busy and the world's head dizzy. It is too much to watch all at once.

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Superlatives

Great Britain is in a superlative mood. She is spending all the summer trying to find out who are the eleven best cricketers in England to meet the New Zealanders; at Wimbledon she has attended in her thousands day after day to see who are two best amateur lawn tennis players in the world; and in the columns of the press she has been discussing what are the best lines that any English poet has ever written.

The first two problems have been tackled on a strictly contemporary basis, but in the solving of the question of poetry the wisdom of the past has been called in. It has been recalled that Meredith's choice was Tennyson's magical picture in "The Idylls of the King"—

On one side lay the ocean, and on one
Lay a great water, and the moon
was full,

while Tennyson himself is said to have preferred Milton's—

Silence, ye troubled waters, and thou
deep peace.

But even the combined judgment of the ages and the nations fails to bring any final agreement. A twentieth century judge votes for Shakespeare's "The multitudinous seas incarnadine," while Darwin, an unexpected witness in a literary dispute, though his father was a poet—came down on the side of the famous lines in Tennyson—

The mean of doves in immemorial
elm,
And murmuring of innumerable bees.

Only two contributors to the discussion independently agreed in choosing the same line, but since they were as eminent as Carlyle and Goethe, perhaps the decision may be tentatively allowed to go to their preference, which appropriately is by Shakespeare—

We are such stuff as dreams are
made on.

ROOSEVELT AND WORLD CRISIS

Europe Looking For Magician With Rabbit

GRAPHIC STORY OF RABAU DISASTER

The American freighter Golden Bear lost one member of its crew but rescued 750 persons when two great volcanic eruptions destroyed the town of Rabaul, New Guinea.

Capt. E. M. Olsen of the Golden Bear described the rescue upon arrival of the Matson Line ship in Honolulu. Risking envelopment of his ship in the lava flow, he said his men made their way ashore to lead 750 persons, mostly women and children, out of the city.

Victor A. Costner, the Golden Bear's wireless operator, disappeared, Captain Olsen said, as the crew groped their way ashore in pitch darkness, through downpours of volcanic ashes and pumice. Captain Olsen expressed belief that Costner walked off the wharf in the darkness. Rabaul's harbour had a deep scum of ashes and pumice on its surface.

Using its two lifeboats and a work boat, the Golden Bear took refugees to Kokopo, 15 miles distant. Caked with six to 12 inches of pumice and lava, the Golden Bear moved out of the harbour next day.

Narrow Escape

"We narrowly escaped being enveloped by the flow from the volcano," said Captain Olsen. "A column of steam and black lava shot up from Mount Tavurvur, an old crater on the opposite side of the harbour from Volcano Island. Rabaul received the full force of this downpour of ashes and pumice. These volcanoes," he said, "continued erupting for two days."

"It was an awesome sight — two streams of smoke and black lava in the daytime, shooting up and joining about 4000 feet in the air to form an enormous arch above the harbour entrance. At night the eruption appeared like an immense display of fireworks."

Island's Rise

When the Golden Bear returned to Rabaul Captain Olsen said, Volcano Island towered 850 feet, where previously it had stood only a few feet out of water.

"The harbour surface was covered with a layer of floating lava," he said. "No water could be seen."

"Before the eruption Rabaul was a beautiful garden. Everything was covered with gray pumice and ashes. Roads were blocked, littered with fallen trees and limbs." Captain Olsen said most of the inhabitants opposed reoccupying Rabaul.

WOMAN IN CHINA GETS HOMESICK; BOARDS CLIPPER

There are many reasons for flying the Pacific, but Mrs. Katherine N. Romer, widow of the former owner of the American advertising magazine, Printers' Ink, has a new one. She is homesick.

Mrs. Romer left Hong Kong last week in Hong Kong Clipper. She had gone to China by steamer, but she suddenly felt a twinge of homesickness, what with the Sino-Japanese troubles and all sorts of wild rumours, and she decided to go home the quickest way.

"We hear people saying that this

U.S. PREPARES FOR RAPID ARMS EXPANSION

Expert committees of the U.S. Government are investigating the emergency shipbuilding and aircraft manufacturing facilities of the United States, with a view to possible rapid expansion.

At the same time, President Roosevelt feels he has no magic formula with which to reply to requests coming to him almost daily to take a hand in the grave European situation. The State Department, watching the North China crisis, is acting along parallel lines with Great Britain.

These developments, emerging strikingly in the last few weeks, have served to notify Washington that Supreme Court or the labour struggles are far from being the only preoccupations of the National Government. Reorganisation of the State Department is being pressed to conclusion at the time when attention is beginning to be focussed more closely on foreign affairs.

Presidential Parable

Mr. Roosevelt's viewpoint on "calling a conference" or taking some other dramatic action toward the European or world situation has been explained strikingly to several callers in the last day or two. He is reported to have outlined matters in this fashion:

Most European statesmen, and most thoughtful people there, the President believes, feel they are up against a stone wall. Nobody in Europe, they think, can solve the present deadlock between the groups of powers. Individual national leaders are afraid to take up the problem lest others single them out for attack. Hence Europe is looking round for somebody outside of Europe with a hat and a rabbit in it. "Now I," the President is said to have told his friends, "haven't got that kind of a hat and there isn't a rabbit in it."

This parable puts in crisp Rooseveltian language what informed observers have felt about the White House attitude for some time: that the President would not be averse to taking helpful action if he knew what action to take. But the European feeling of hopelessness in the face of an impasse is shared here with less despair, perhaps. Statesmen—many of whom regard the present drift as ominous—simply do not know what to do.

Different Approach

Another, and far different, approach to the world problem was outlined by Mr. Roosevelt to his press conference yesterday. He conferred with Charles Edison, Assistant Secretary of Navy, and ordered a survey of the Government's navy yards at Boston, Philadelphia, Norfolk, Va., Charleston, S. C., and New Orleans, La., to determine their capacity to expand production. The Brooklyn navy yard already is busy to capacity.

It is just possible, said the President in carefully chosen language, that the nation is facing a big ship-

is not a war at all, but there seem to be a lot of dead men around," she declared.

building boom. Private yards, he considered, would be unable to meet needs.

Air Facilities Studied

Construction, he said, would be necessary not only for the merchant marine, toward which the maritime commission expects to expend some \$150,000,000 in Government money in the next few years, but for actual fighting craft and auxiliary ships—the "train" of the navy. A bill for construction of six auxiliary ships at a cost of about \$48,000,000 is in conference and may provide the first non-warship construction in navy yards.

In addition, the President indicated air construction facilities are being studied.

The boom in shipbuilding may not necessarily be based on war-scare talk. The parity-navy programme, under way in the Vinson Act with additions for further battleships, constitutes a mighty nucleus of work in many yards. The new bill for \$48,000,000 in auxiliary ships will take out another bite, and the maritime commission's programme should pretty well fill private yards. The commission has assets of about \$200,000,000 for new ships and subsidies.

World Situation

But this substantial spurt in shipbuilding stems in large measure from the world situation. Naval construction is deemed necessary because of the collapse of efforts to limit armaments; the merchant

ABORIGINAL DATA FOUND IN MONTANA

Discovery of an ancient shelter containing artifacts and other traces of human habitation which may shed light on the origin of man in North America has been disclosed by Prof. Melville Sayre of the Montana School of Mines.

The shelter, weathered into a cliff side and measuring 180 by 50 feet, was found a month ago seven miles south of Billings by three amateur archeologists — Mr. and Mrs. Jim Browne of Denver and Herbert Barringer of Billings.

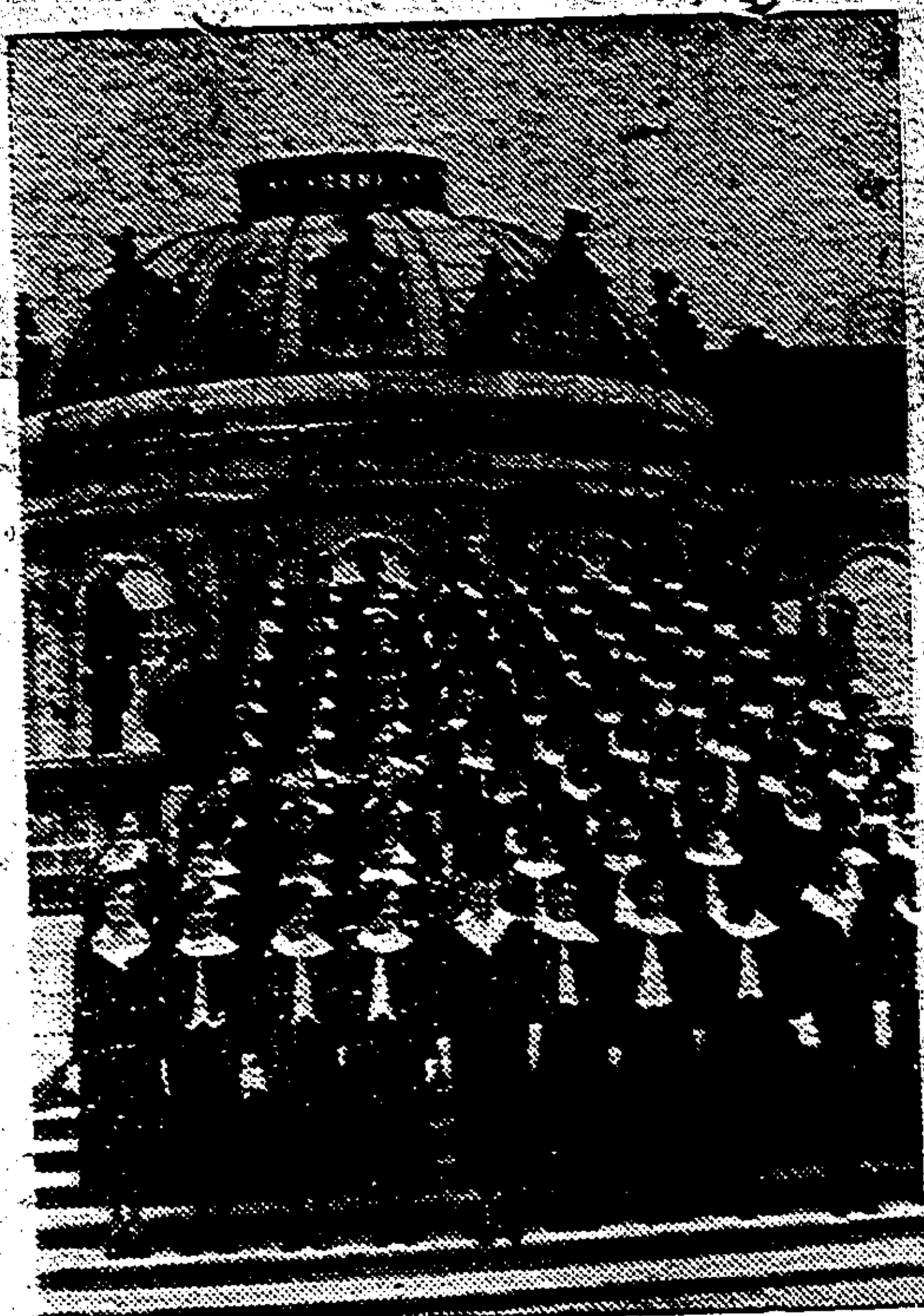
The stratified site, Mr. Sayre explained, may provide clues to bolster the theory that man migrated from Asia to North America by way of Bering Strait and the Mackenzie River valley in Canada. Preliminary surveys, he added, showed two levels of human habitation — one about four feet under the floor of the shelter and another about four feet lower.

On the four-foot level, Mr. Sayre said, are hundreds of buffalo bones, charcoal, flint knives, scrapers and other domestic implements. The walls contain two types of pictograph, one portraying guns, indicating the authors had come in contact with white man. The lower level, largely rock covered, has not been explored.

marine is being built up largely because American shipping is largely dependent upon foreign bottoms, and wants to put itself in a more independent position in case foreign shipping were suddenly commandeered for the use of the flags it flies.

In any case, Mr. Roosevelt's cautious forecast of a shipping boom seems a calculated understatement!

Cook
by
Gas



(Left)—Italian Youth Leaders in Berlin recently when 1,300 young Italians of both sexes visited Potsdam. (Right)—Dr. Ley, German Minister of Labour, in conversation with the German Sports Leader, when it was decided to organise sports activities in all factories.

Eric Linden and Judith Barrett in- ing to-morrow at the King's Theatre.

Bert Acosta in Again



Bert Acosta, once one of the front rank aviators of the United States and who recently fought for the Loyalists in Spain, is shown with his two daughters, Consuelo Gloria (left) and Bertina Dolores, at Mineola, L. I., where the girls are trying to raise \$500 bail to get their father out of alimony jail. He's supposed to pay his ex-wife \$10 a week alimony.



A German airwoman, a glider pilot, who set a record recently by keeping in the air for 18 hours, 31 minutes.



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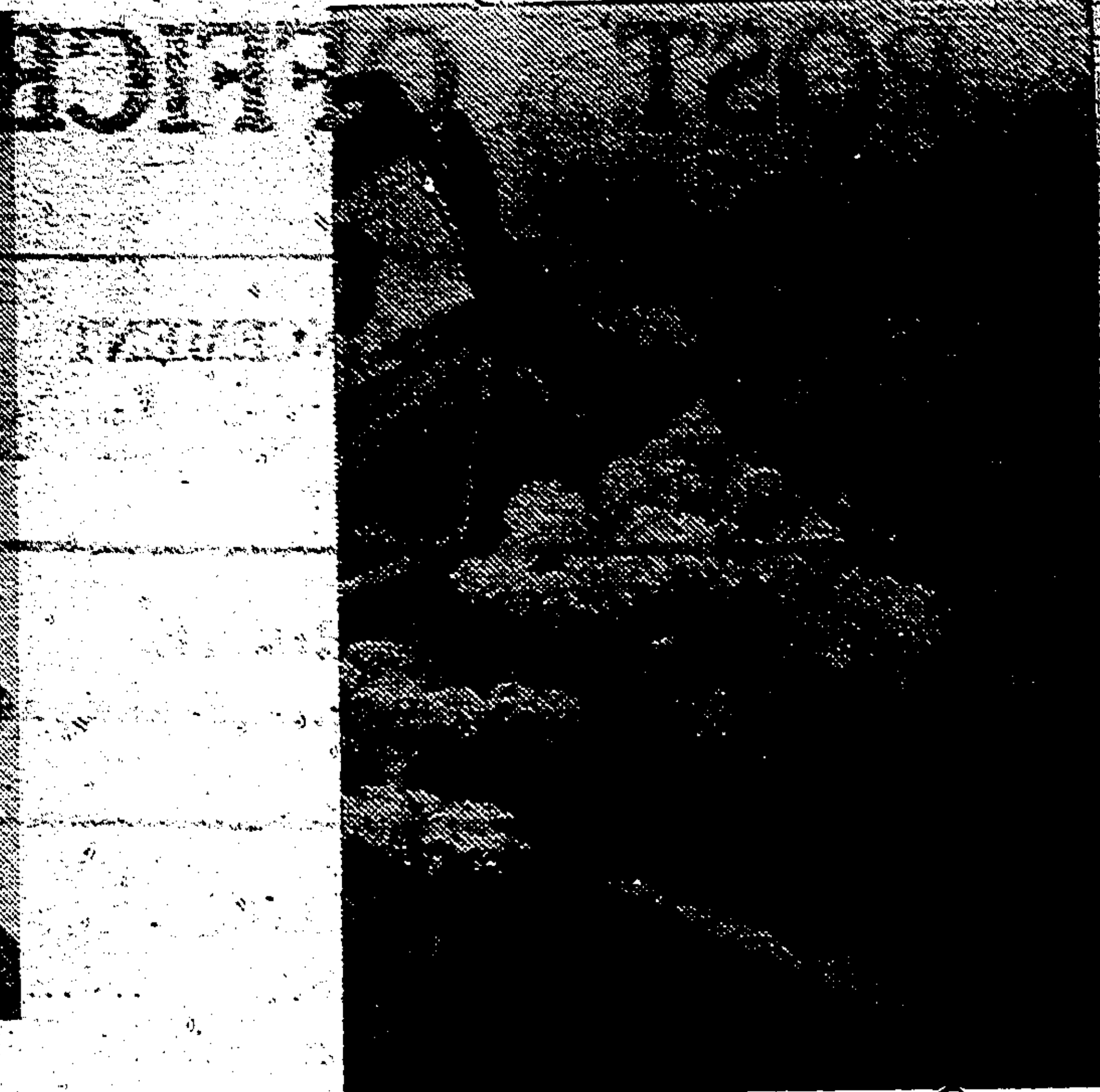
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Old Soak" which is open-



(Above)—Major Seidemann of the German Air Force, who won the race round the Isle of Man recently.

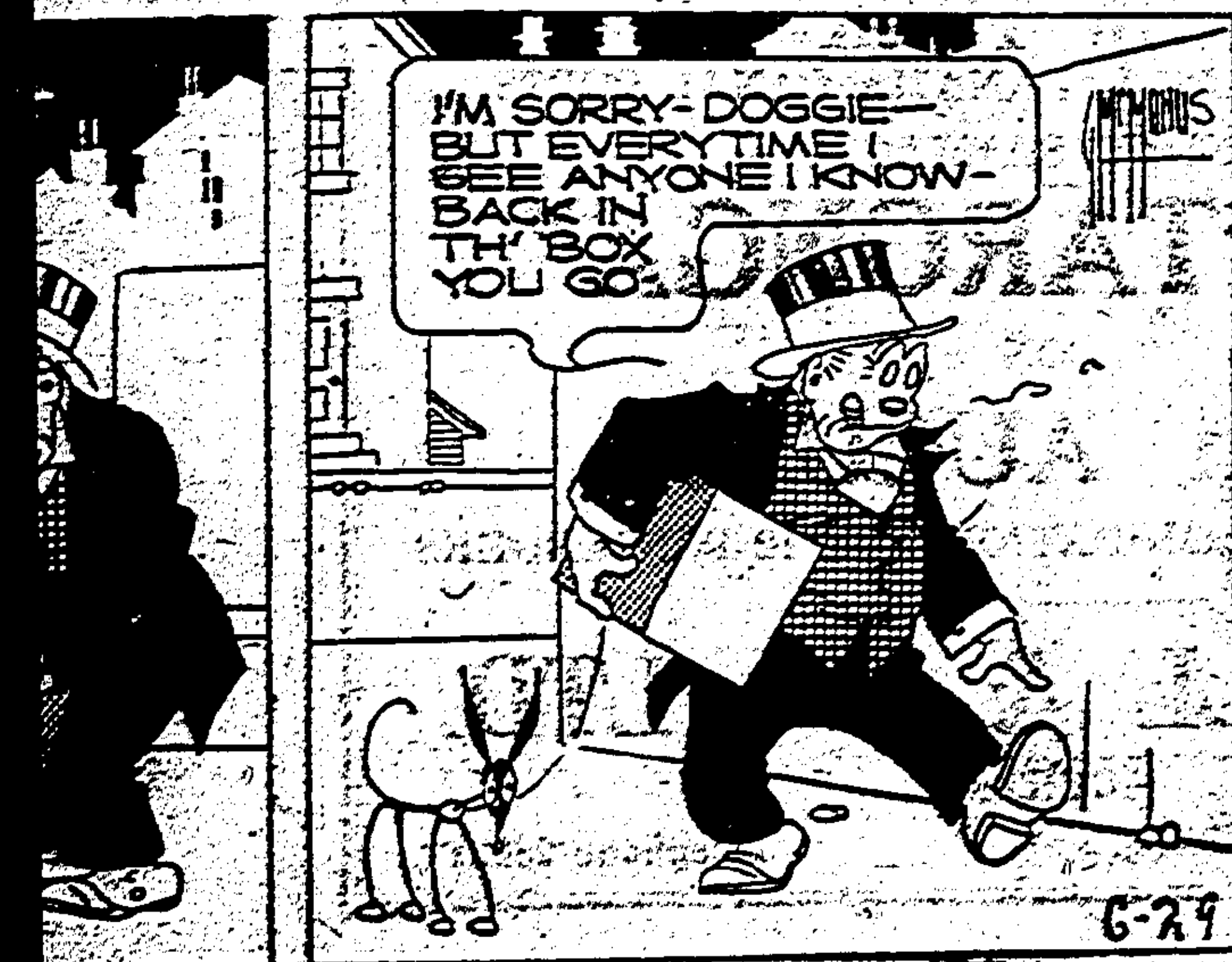


(Left)—Dr. Hasenpfeffer, who lived in Shanghai for many years, is shown above (third from left) talking to Dr. Goebbels.



Everett Horton and Eve Arden in "Old Doctor" which is at the Alhambra.

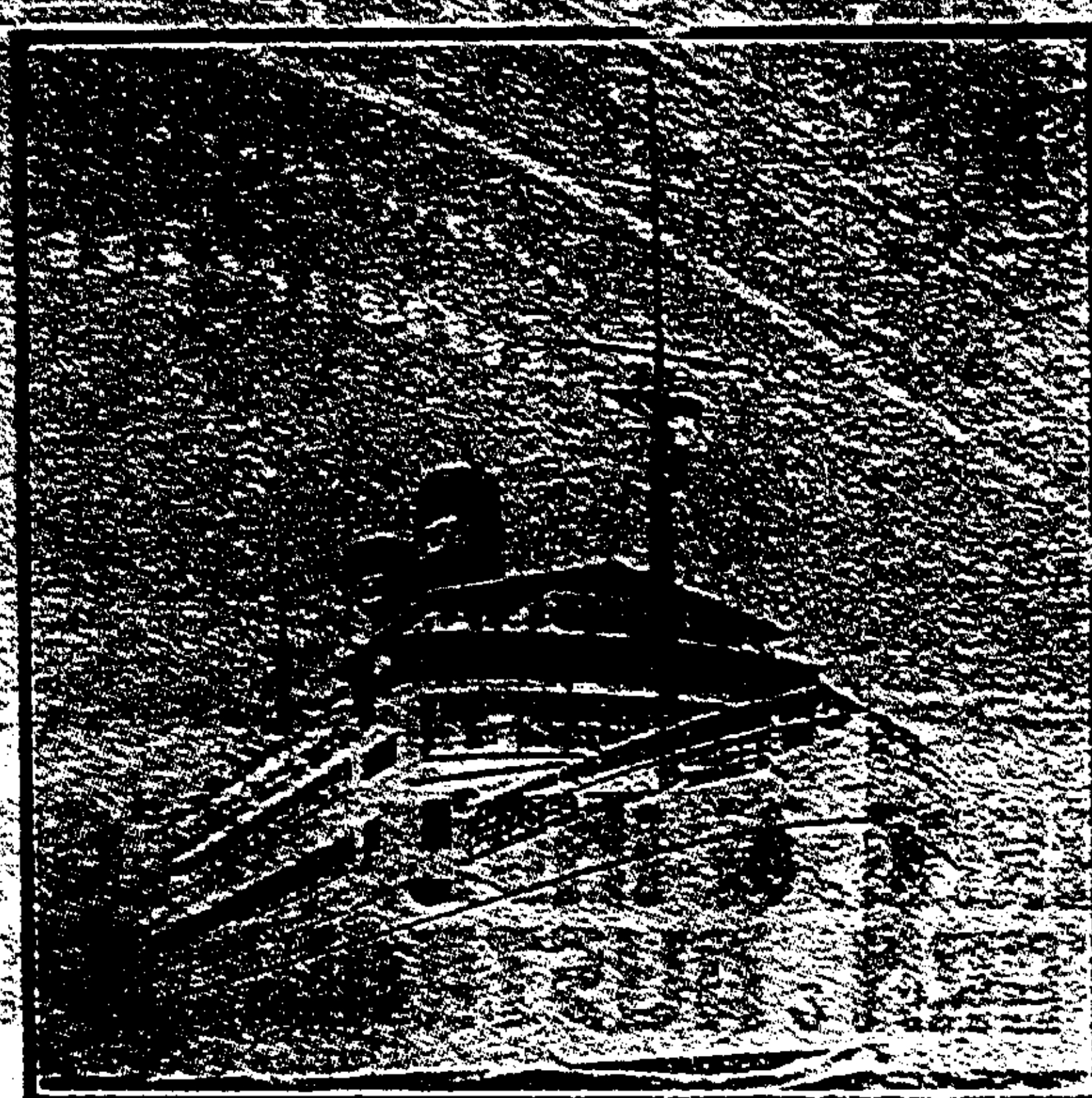
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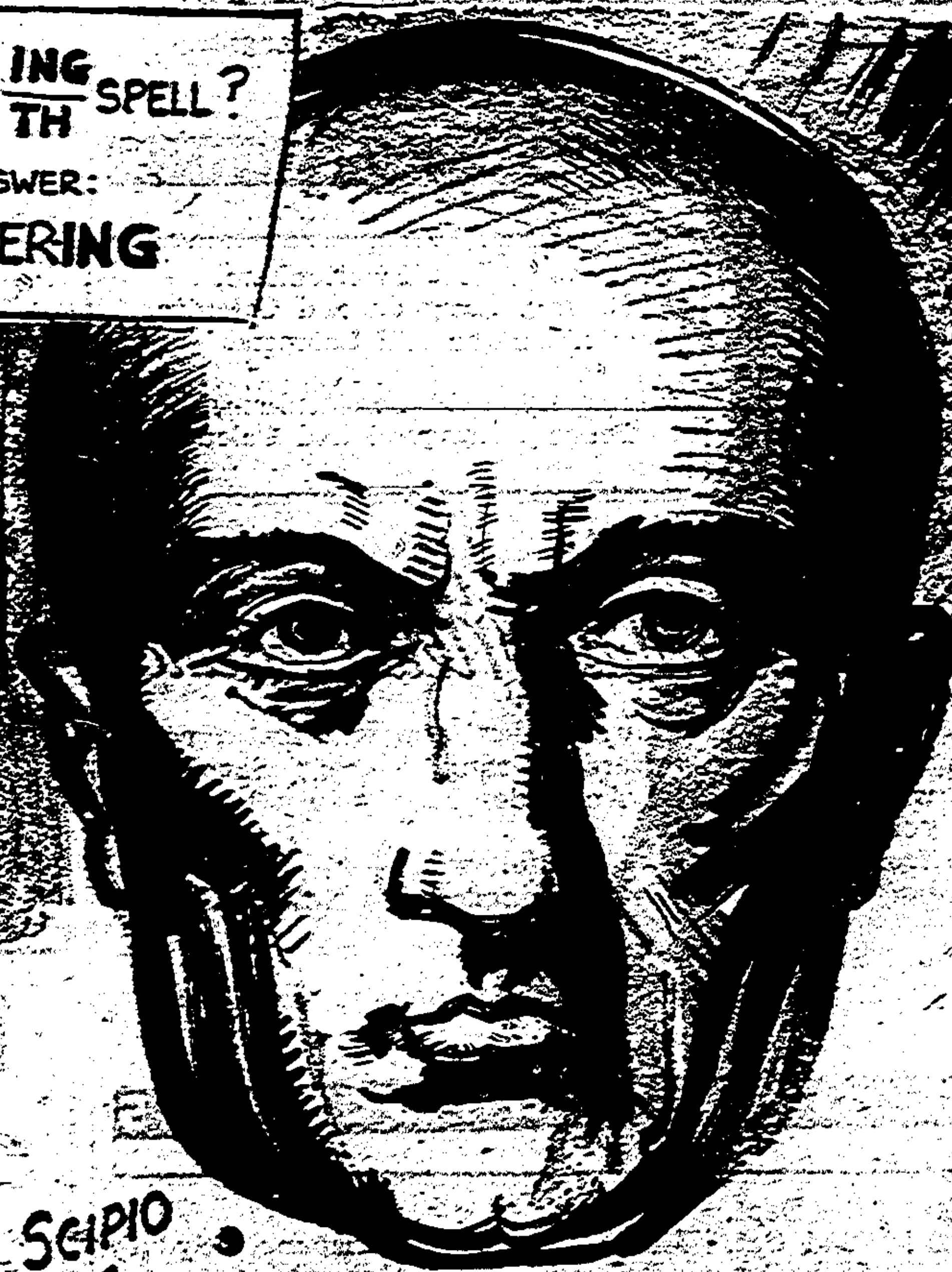
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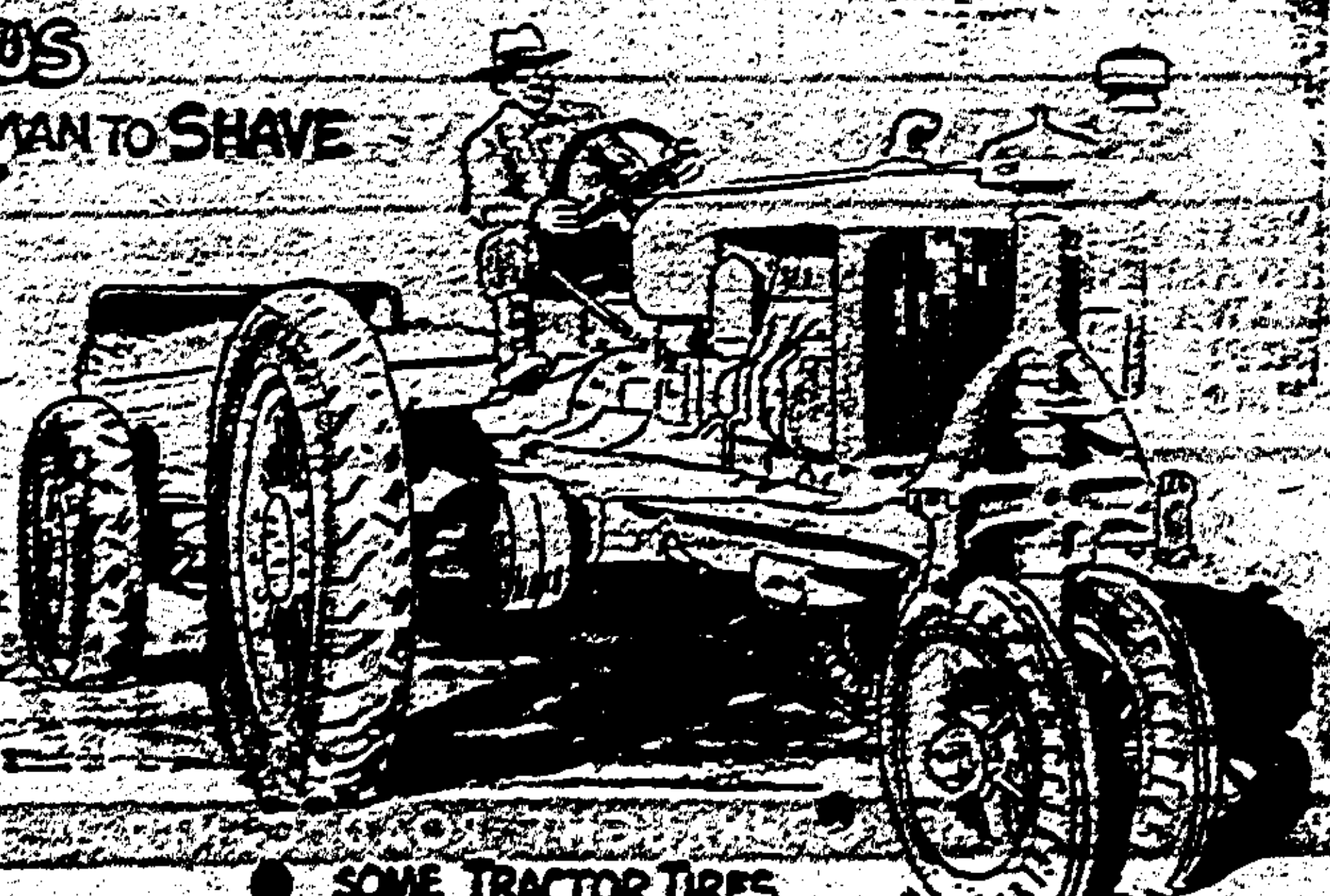
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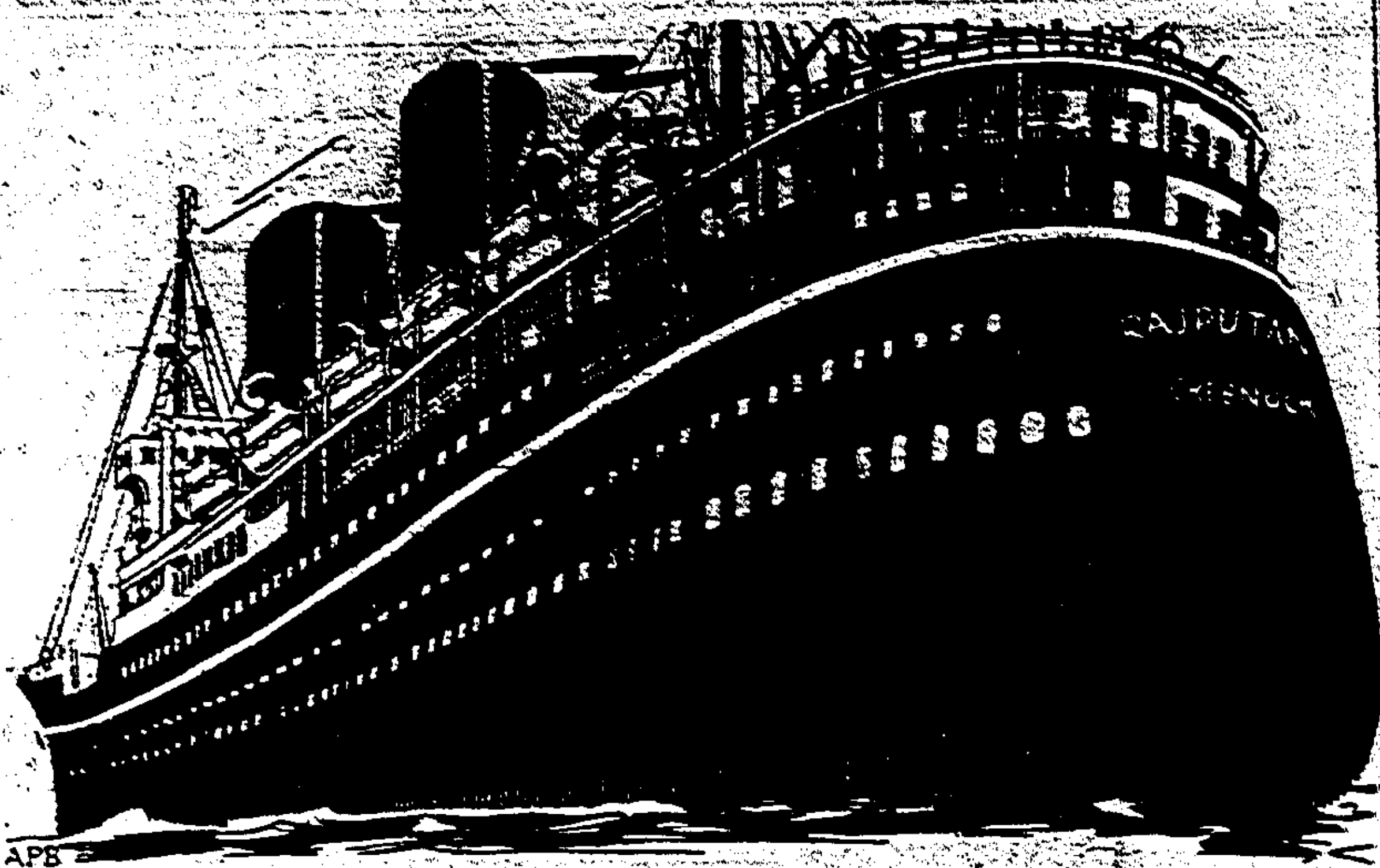
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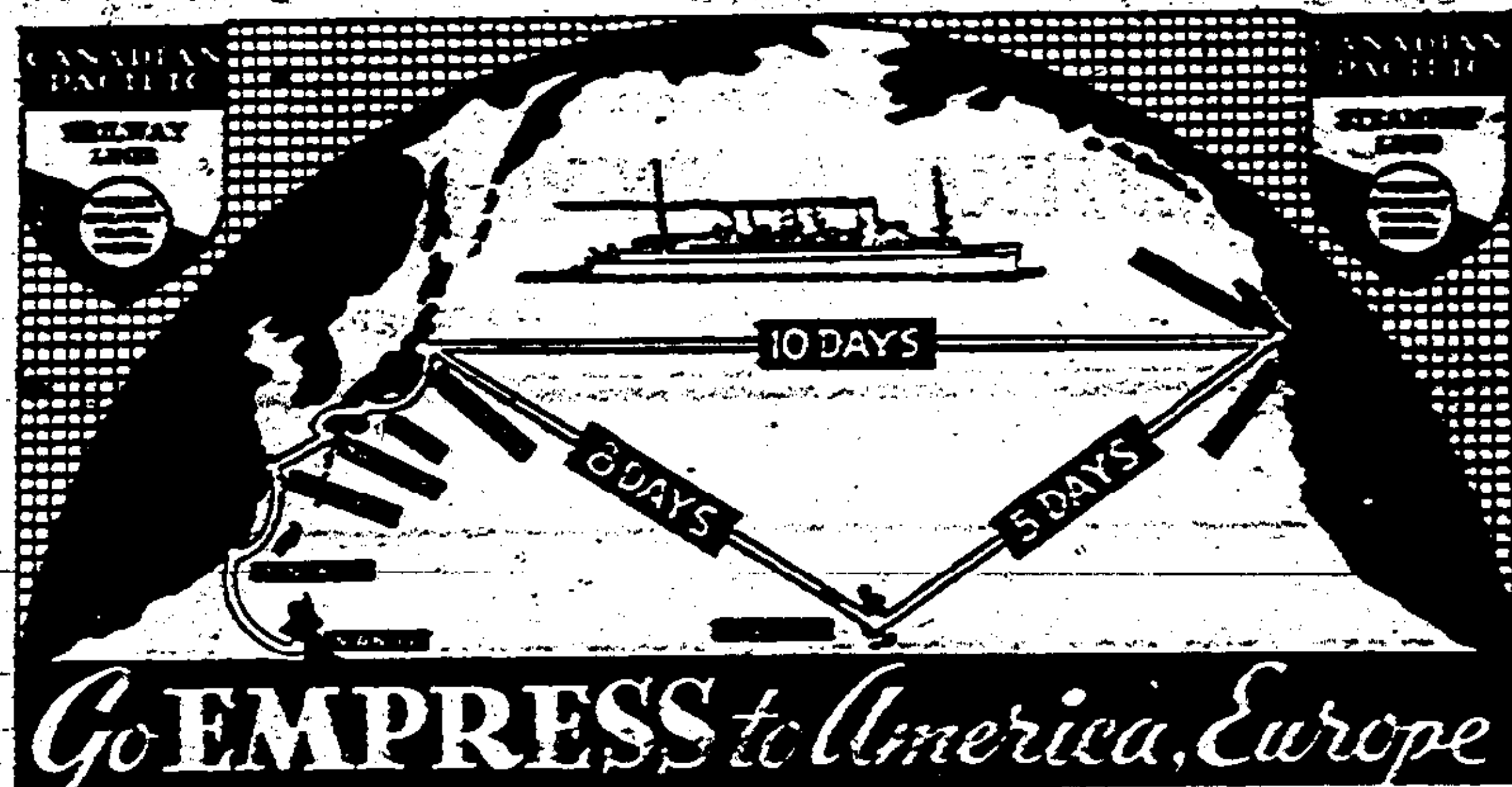
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TINY LIGHTHOUSE USED AS BAIT BY MODERN ANGLERS

Two natural scientists have gone fishing with a pocket-sized lighthouse for bait.

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The miniature lighthouse, a 300 pound iron cylinder 15 inches in diameter and 15 inches deep, sends out the invisible beams, which are said to attract the fish.

The iron bell is modelled somewhat after the Bathysphere in which Dr. William Beebe made observations of ocean depths. It is built to withstand heavy water pressure, and has quartz windows on two sides. But instead of a person, it will carry when it is let down into the water only an electrical spark gap to shoot 50,000-volt ultraviolet rays out the windows into the water.

Around the "lighthouse" is built a strong rectangular net, 10 feet long and four feet square at the ends, with trap tunnels leading up to each of the two windows. If the thing works, the fish will swim into the net and be pulled up to the surface, giving man his first catch of fish which live at any appreciable depths.

The B. I. Steam Ship "Talma" will leave for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Rangoon and Calcutta on Saturday at 2:30 p.m.

U.S. ARMY ORDERS 177 BOMBERS

Contract For High-Speed War Craft

A contract for 177 new high-speed bombers, the largest single order for military aircraft in America since the great war, has been placed by the American Army Air Corps with a California aircraft company.

The amount involved is over \$11,500,000, rather more than \$65,000 for each plane, which ranks the new machines next after the big four-engined "flying fortresses" in cost.

This brings the total number of military aircraft now on order for the American Air Corps up to over 900, of which three quarters will be delivered during the year. Included in previous orders are 133 bombers of the new type, making a total of 310 now on order. Other types on order are training, pursuit and attack, and observation machines, and about a dozen described as experimental and revolutionary in character.

The official speed of the new bombers is 225 m.p.h.; but they are credited with 30 m.p.h. more, carrying a full load. They are also capable of carrying a substantially larger useful load than those with which the General Headquarters Air Force is at present equipped.

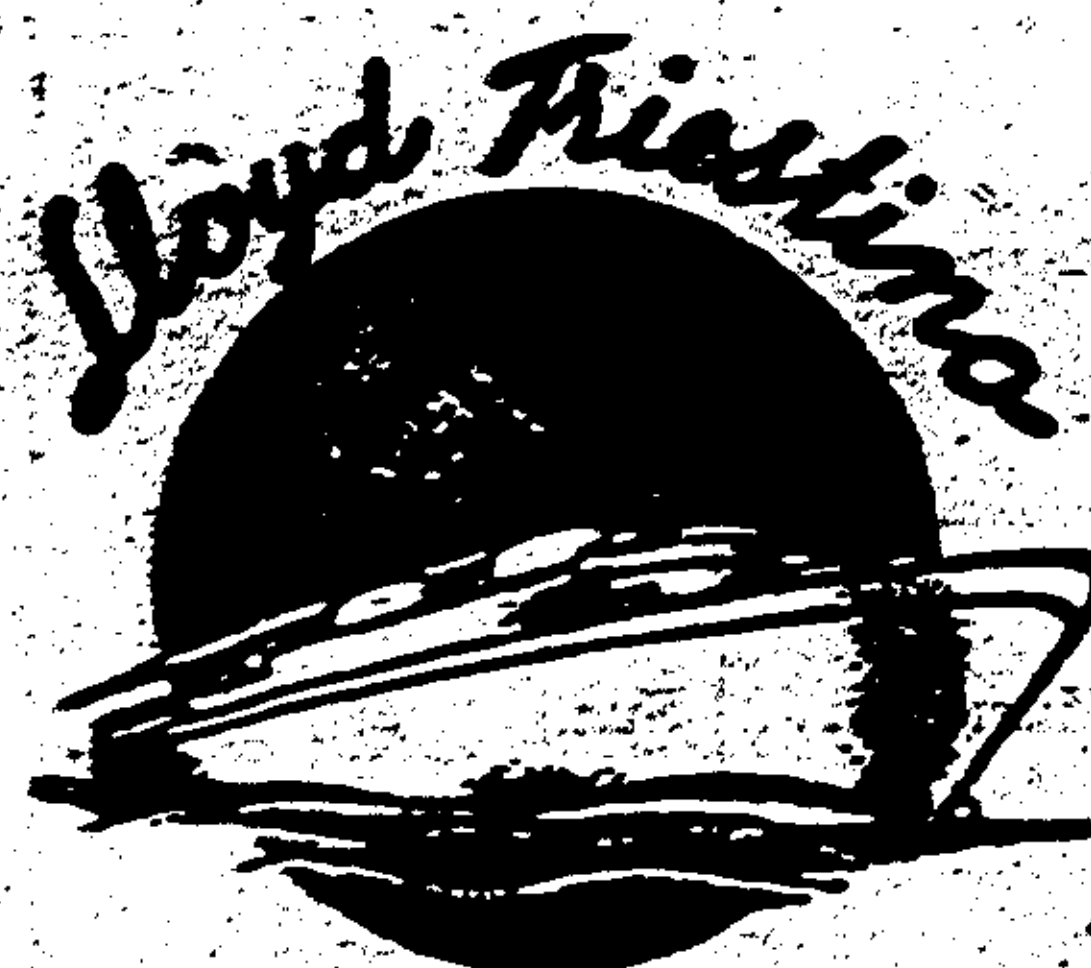
Military aviation authorities in America are said to reason that the larger the aircraft the more flexible and invulnerable it is in flight and that machine guns on the bombers dispense with the need for protecting pursuit planes.

"Wife" Falsehood In Hotel Register

Mr. Justice Charles, at Winchester Assizes, held that it was not an offence under the Aliens Order, 1920, for a man to sign the register of a hotel describing as his wife a woman who accompanies him, but who is not his wife.

If it was an offence, he said, many such offences were disclosed in evidence in divorce proceedings.

"The duty the Order places upon a person," he added, "is to sign a statement as to his nationality. I do not know that he has the power to make a statement on any one else's behalf."



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FINAL CRICKET

TO-NIGHT'S SWIMMING CLASSICS

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STYLE

YEUNG SAU KING
TO MEET MISS
V. THIRLWELL

(By "CRAWL")

In spite of the fact that the Interport Swimming contest between Hong Kong and Shanghai is likely to be postponed owing to the hostilities which have broken out in the Northern port, to-night's swimming at the Victoria Recreation Club should well be worth a dollar, as two thrilling features are promised spectators.

The outstanding feature of the programme will be the meeting between Wilfred Lawrence, the Colony champion, and Norman Lee, potential champion, in the 100 Yards free-style, which may see a new China record established. Others in the race will include Chan Wing-kai, also reputed to be very fast, Rfm. Hamilton, Ng Chun-man and Robert Chan, both very fast over the four laps.

The second feature of the evening is the return match between Miss Yeung Sau-king, China National Swimming champion, and World Olympic star, and Miss Veronica Thirlwell, the V.R.C. and Colony champion, who will swim over 440 Yards free style.

WON BY TOUCH

In their last clash at North Point, in an invitation race, Miss Thirlwell beat Miss Yeung by a touch in one of the grandest races seen for some time, and to-night's event should prove to be just as thrilling.

In addition there will also be Interport trials for the 100 yards back-stroke, the 50 Yards free-style and the final water-polo trial, in which a probable Interport team comprising Chan Sik-pui (in goal); N. Delgado and Enrique Chan (full-backs); Fung Kwok-wa or Wilfred Lawrence (centre-half); L. Roza-Pereira, A. A. Da Roza and Robert Chan (forwards) will oppose an Army selected seven.

Following the aquatic programme, there will be dancing in the West Lounge.

INTERPORT FUND

It is pointed out that the primary object of holding these trials was in order to defray expenses towards the Interport. Should the present Interport be postponed, all monies collected will be held as an Interport Reserve Fund for future Interports.

TO-NIGHT'S PROGRAMME

50 Yards free-style.
100 Yards back-stroke.
100 Yards free-style.
Water Polo.
Fancy Diving (Exhibition).
440 Yards free-style (Exhibition between Miss Yeung Sau-king and Miss V. Thirlwell).

TRIAL ENTRIES

The following are the entries:—
100 Yards Free-style:—Norman Lee, Wong Chee-hung, Kwok Hon-ming, Robert Chan, Chan Wing-kai, Ng Chun-man, Rfm. Hamilton and W. Lawrence.
100 Yards Back-stroke:—Lau Po-hei, W. Lawrence and Chan Kai-him.

ENGLAND'S TEST TEAM

R. W. V. Robins (Middlesex)
Hammond, W. R. (Gloucester)
Hardstaff, J. (Notts)
Barnett, C. J. (Gloucester)
Hutton, L. (Yorkshire)
Goddard, T. W. (Gloucester)
Ames, L. E. G. (Kent)
Washbrook, C. (Lancashire)
Gover, A. R. (Surrey)
Matthews, A. D. (Glamorgan)
Compton, D. (Middlesex)



FURTHER COUNTY CRICKET RESULTS

London, To-day.

The following were the results of County Championship Cricket matches which concluded yesterday.

Sussex scored a good win over Warwickshire after being led on the first innings, while at Leicester, Notts took points for a first innings victory over Leicestershire. Scores as cabled by Reuters:—

Nottinghamshire beat Leicestershire on the first innings.
Leicester: 206 (Watkins 6 for 48 and 90 for 1.
Notts: 502 for 8 dec. (Keeton 104, Hardstaff 266).

Sussex beat Warwickshire by 164 runs in T. Cook's Benefit Match.
Sussex: 257 (Hollies 5 for 43) and 310.
Warwickshire: 272 (Wyatt 107 and 131 (James Langridge 6 for 47).

TO-DAY'S MATCHES

Oval—England v. New Zealand (Third Test).
Bradford—Yorkshire v. Worcestershire.
Southend—Essex v. Hampshire.
Birmingham—Warwickshire v. Middlesex.
Manchester—Lancashire v. Leicestershire.
Neath—Glamorgan v. Surrey.
Dover—Kent v. Somerset.
Nottingham—Nottinghamshire v. Derbyshire.
Cheltenham College Ground—Gloucestershire v. Sussex.

—Reuters.

MAMAK HOCKEY TOURNAMENT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The annual general meeting of the Mamak Hockey Tournament will be held at St. Andrew's Church Hall (Top Floor) at 6 p.m. on Monday, August 30.

It is earnestly requested that all clubs which took part in the Mamak Hockey Tournament, just concluded, will be represented.

AGENDA

- (1) To confirm minutes of Annual General Meeting held on September 15, 1936.
- (2) Report by the Hon. Secretary.
- (3) Report by the Hon. Treasurer.
- (4) Election of President, Vice-President, Chairman of the Executive, Hon. Secretary, Hon. Treasurer, and Assistant Hon. Secretaries.
- (5) Amendment to Rules of Tournament.
- (6) Any other business.

TEST AT OVAL LITTLE INTEREST FOLLOWING RESULT OF SECOND MATCH

ENGLAND LOOKS TO FUTURE

(By "ADREM")

EVEN if England had not won the Second Test match at Old Trafford last month and thereby ensured that the "rubber" could not be lost, the startling turn of events in north China would have taken a great deal of local attention away from the Oval, where the last encounter with New Zealand starts to-day.

ALSO, DESPITE THE FINE SHOWS PUT UP BY THE TOURISTS IN BOTH TESTS, THE PRESENT POSITION IS NOT ONE THAT WILL BE LIKELY TO ATTRACT THE ENGLISH CROWDS, HOWEVER ENTHUSIASTIC THEY MAY BE. NEVERTHELESS A TEST MATCH IS A TEST MATCH!

New Zealand have not yet announced their eleven, but, unless they decide to play several of the team who have not taken part in either of the first two games, it is likely to be substantially the same as the Old Trafford combination.

On that occasion, the heroes were H. G. Vivian, W. A. Hadlee and M. P. Donnelly in the batting line, and J. Cowie in the attack. The first named batted extraordinarily well in both innings to pass the 50 mark on each occasion, while Hadlee, overshadowed all his colleagues in his first innings with a grand knock of 93.

Although not as spectacular as the other two batsmen, M. P. Donnelly, won the acclaim of all the critics, for his gallant second innings, when wickets were falling with sickening regularity to the venomous off-spinners of Tom Goddard. Going in at the fall of the third wicket, Donnelly saw the total raised from 73 to 134 and despite the keen bowling and fielding of the Englishmen, his wicket was still intact at the close of play.

OVER CAUTIOUS

All the members of the New Zealand team are liable to come off with the bat, although as yet, their comparative inexperience of "big" cricket, has resulted in displays, promising enough, and on many occasions plucky enough—to quote the words of a prominent English critic, "The New Zealanders have been in several hot spots in the course of the last two Tests, but they have a knack of producing a man at the right moment to tide them over the critical periods."—but they have disappointed, in that they have shown an incompetency to attack the bowling and have, in the end, worried themselves out with adding materially to the score.

England selectors, while paying their visitors the compliment on each occasion of turning out a representative side, have obviously been making their selections with the next visit of the Australians at the back of their minds.

VERITY'S CAPABILITIES KNOWN

Thus we find that cricketers of the calibre of Hedley Verity, the most consistent bowler in England, and probably the world, has taken little or no part in the series.

Verity obviously has no further need to impress his capabilities,



nor does he need test match experience and so we find such players as Goddard, Smith (J), Gover and Matthews, all strangers to International cricket, being given their chance to prove themselves.

Probably never in the history of the game has the "blooding" of a cricketer been so startlingly successful as in the case of Tom Goddard, of Gloucester. Making his debut in a Test team at Old Trafford, he failed dismally in his first effort but thereafter, bowling his off-spinners, on a wicket with plenty of "devil" in it, he ran through the opposition in their second innings when England were one time in grave danger of defeat.

AMAZING FIGURES

Since that match, evidently full of confidence, he has been astonishingly successful, taking in his last two games, no fewer than 28 wickets, including 10 in an innings.

Chief interest in this match, now that Hutton has justified himself and more or less helped himself to a position as one of England's opening batsmen for the future, will be centred in 19 year old Denis Compton, the dashing Middlesex batsman, who played his first county match only last season. He is said to have some really beautiful strokes and is not afraid to attack anything loose. He is a fieldsmen of conspicuous merit and has shown a certain amount of promise as a left-hand bowler.

With such players as Hutton and Compton in the ranks and other veterans like Hammond, Ames and Verity to call upon, the adventurous Robins, who appears fairly certain to lead England against the Aussies, has little cause for worry.

In short, England's cricket is probably in as healthy a state as it has ever been in at any time since the War.

LEFT-HANDED BATSMAN FOR 1938

AUSTRALIANS MUST HAVE SOME SELECTORS FOR ENGLAND WILL BE THE SAME

(By "NOT OUT")

Sydney, July 14.

IS a left-hand batsman of class a necessity in an Australian team in England? This question is not often asked. Australia had some great left-handers on tour. The first was W. Bruce, the Victorian. Gay and venturesome, his batting was full of the risks the crowds delight to see when they come off. A most attractive batsman was Bruce. And yet he was not in the same class as some successors, such as pugnacious Joe Darling, razor-edged Clem Hill, and placid Warren Bardsley.

THE 1934 TEAM HAD TWO LEFT-HANDERS IN L. S. DARLING AND E. H. BROMLEY. THEY DID NOT RISE TO IT IN THE MANNER OF THE TALENTED MEN ALREADY MENTIONED. THE VALUE OF A LEFT-HANDER IN ENGLAND, WHEN HE IS OF THE RIGHT CLASS, IS GREAT BEYOND DOUBT.

To join this category, he ought to possess ability to step into slow left-hand bowling of the Rhodes. Verity sort on a bad wicket and punch the ball breaking into them. Had Darling or Bromley been able to do this in the Test at Lord's the follow-on must have been saved and history might have been changed.

A STORY AGAINST "PLUM" WARNER

FRED ROOT AND HIS TEST EXCLUSION

Fred Root, the Worcestershire leg-theory bowler, has written a book. It is called "A Cricket Pro's Lot." Root has strong convictions. As some of these do not run parallel with those of many others they are spicy, as he gives them in his book. Here is one amusing story. The year was 1926, and the Australians were in England:

"Plum" Warner was chairman of the selection committee for England.

"I had bowled long and perseveringly in the fourth Test at Old Trafford," he writes, "and after the match Mr. Warner waxed enthusiastic about my non-stop effort, and impressed most urgently on my mind that a similar effort at the Oval would considerably enhance our chances of winning the Ashes."

VERY IMPORTANT

"He convinced my wife that I was a very important man in English cricket at the moment, and he sought her to look after me well during the interval before the fatal match. He told me to tell Major Jewell (captain of my county—Worcestershire) to work me as little as possible. I was advised to get brine baths at Droitwich, drink an occasional bottle of champagne, and to get myself as fit and as fresh as possible."

IMAGINE MY SURPRISE

"When the English team was published in the morning newspapers I was not among the fifteen from whom the final eleven was to be chosen."

Perhaps, a parallel to that could

Warren Bardsley with his clever inside strokes was a perfect foil to the slow left-hand bowler on normal wickets. Under those conditions he was able to watch the ball closely, and his great defence and sound strokes off his legs made a solid problem for them.

The 1938 team should include the best left-hand in the country. Who he happens to be is hard to tell at this stage. Next season's early cricket may solve the riddle, provided the selectors determine to include one.

LEE AND DARLING

The best on last season's form were L. Lee and L. S. Darling. That the latter did not come up to expectations in 1934 does not necessarily put him out of the running.

A number who developed on the lines of the great in subsequent years did not make a success of the first tour in England. If would need very little improvement in batting stability for Darling to become an indispensable in England. However, next season will have to elucidate this matter and that of left-hand batsmen generally.

AUSTRALIAN SELECTORS

The Australian selectors for 1938 may be similar to those of last summer. Don Bradman, E. A. Dwyer and W. Johnson. On the whole they did the work well, even if they gave most of us a surprise in the eleven for the final Test in Melbourne.

Don Bradman knows exactly the kind of team he will desire to handle against England. If he holds strong views in any direction we may take it that his arguments will be weighty and perhaps effective. Don is a shrewd judge. After two playing tours, he knows what is most likely to win success in England.

be supplied by an Australian or two in first-class cricket.

The explanation, perhaps, is that "Plum" was only one of the selectors, and that his views were not endorsed by a majority of the others.

AUSTRALIAN GOLFERS FOR ENGLAND

But Gruelling Medical Test First Necessary

While it is confidently anticipated that Harry Hattersley, Jim Ferrier, and Harry Williams will be members of the Australian team to visit England in 1938, it is emphasised in Melbourne that much will depend upon the physical fitness of candidates for the team.

Each player selected by Messrs. Ivo Whitton, C. W. Rundle, and Robert Nettleford will, prior to having his selection approved by the Australian Golf Union, be subjected to a searching medical test. It has been stated by medical men and leading golf officials that no risks will be taken in sending to England men who are not considered capable of standing up thoroughly to the gruelling training, voyage, new conditions, strenuous matches, and then the very exacting conditions of play in the British open and amateur championships.

GOOD BOWLS CARD FOR TO-DAY

Indians Second Div. Honours

The most important game in the First Division of the Lawn Bowls League to-day is that between Kowloon Docks Recreation Club and the Civil Service Cricket Club, but it in spite of the much improved form of the latter, the Hung Hom team should win to remain in the race for championship honour.

In the Second Division, the Indian Recreation Club should beat Craigen-gower and thus win the championship and promotion, but the result, however, should be a very close one.

A good tussle should be witnessed in the Third Division between the leaders, the Civil Service Cricket Club, and Club de Recreio, and it is expected that the visitors will win and make sure of the championship.

SKIP'S FORECAST

FIRST DIVISION			
H.K.F.C.	(—)	C.C.C.	(—)
K.C.C.	(56)	P.R.C.	(59)
C. de R.	(73)	K.B.G.C.	(57)
C.S.C.C.	(58)	K.D.R.C.	(52)
SECOND DIVISION			
K.B.G.C.	(58)	C. de R.	(64)
P.R.C.	(67)	K.C.C.	(59)
*C.C.C.	(62)	I.R.C.	(53)
T.R.C.	(—)	H.K.F.C.	(—)

(* First Division last year)

THIRD DIVISION			
K.F.C.	(—)	H.K.E.R.C.	(—)
C. de R.	(—)	C.S.C.C.	(—)
C.C.C.	(—)	K.T.C.	(—)
H.K.F.C.	(—)	R.H.K.Y.C.	(—)

Figures in brackets denote the result of the corresponding game last year.

INTERNATIONAL BASEBALL TO-DAY

CHARITY SERIES TO COMMENCE

WINS FOR CHINA AND AMERICA

(By "INFIELD")

The first games in the International Charity Baseball Competition will be played this week-end, India meeting China this afternoon, while Portugal encounter the United States to-morrow morning.

The Chinese should have no difficulty in defeating the Indians in to-day's game, as they will have at their disposal, besides members of their local team, others from Ling Nam and Pui Ching, while the Indians, though they have been practising hard, are not so experienced, and have not played together as a team yet.

Moe, believed by many to be as good a pitcher as R. McCall, will be on the mound for the Chinese and Gong will be behind the bat. With the infield composed of Yee, W. Ching, Wally Chin and Yip, the Indians will find it hard to get to first base.

INDIANS' BATTERY

M. el Arculli and O. el Arculli will form the battery for the Indians, and much will depend on whether the former will be able to last the nine innings, as the Indians have no reserve pitcher.

A. Hussain, third baseman of the Volunteers, will be seen at short stop, with A. B. Abbas at third base. S. Hamet who played for Eastern last season, will be at first base, while the second base will be covered either by A. H. Ismail or A. M. Abbas, though the latter will probably be seen at centrefield.

With the players of the U.S.S. Mindanao and Ashville available, the Americans should have a field day against Portugal, who are about the weakest team in the competition.

PEREIRA PITCHING

Pereira, who has recovered from an injured ankle, will be pitching for Portugal with Mendonca catching. Lanky Costa will cover first base while Beltrao will be seen in his usual position at second base. The rest of the team will be composed of Sa, Figueirido, Alvares, Campos and Baleros.

The Americans will have R. McCall, Molhan and Smith of the Hong Kong Baseball Club team while the rest will be drawn from the American warships and with such heavy hitters in the team as Stefan, Molhan and Lightfoot in the team, the Portuguese should be kept busy in the field.

The following are the probable teams:—
China:—Moe (p), Kong (c), Yee (1st b), Ching (2nd b), Wally Ching (s.s.), Yip (3rd b), Kwong (c.f.), Choi (l.f.) and Chinn (r.f.).

India:—M. el Arculli (p), O. el Arculli (c), S. Hamet (1st b), A. B. Abbas (2nd b), A. J. Hussain (s.s.), A. M. Abbas (3rd b), S. Bux, A. H. Ismail, K. Nazarin, J. A. Curreen, and A. R. Kitchell (fielders).

America:—R. McCall (p), Moore (c), Molhan (1st b), Smith (2nd b), Rogers (s.s.), Lightfoot (3rd b), Stefan, Mills, Loveland, Campbell and Townsend (fielders).

AUSTRALIA'S SCULLING CHAMPION

REMARKABLE PUTTING BY FERRIER

Brilliant Burst
Overwhelms
Hattersley

N.S.W. AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

Owing to the draw being seeded, the logical pair, Harry Hattersley and Jim Ferrier, the leader and runner-up respectively in the qualifying round of the New South Wales Amateur Championship, met in match play in the final.

Golfers showed their appreciation of the arrangement by turning up to the number of 3000, the largest gallery ever seen at a golf match in Sydney. They were richly rewarded, for the match was splendidly contested and the result was in doubt right up to the last green, where Hattersley three-putted, to go down by one hole. This was the anticlimax to a display full of thrills, and the spectators relieved their pent-up feelings by cheering both players, an unusual happening, for golf galleries, in Australia at any rate, are not given to demonstrations.

Ferrier's success was due to phenomenal putting at a critical stage of the game, at a time when it had to be done if he was to win. It completely changed the aspect of the game.

In the morning, Hattersley secured a lead of 2 up with play which fairly earned him that advantage. He had an approximate 71 to Ferrier's 73, par at Royal Sydney being 72.

DRAMATIC CHANGE

He was still 2 up when three had been played in the afternoon. Then came the dramatic change. Ferrier took the fourth hole, where Hattersley was bunkered.

Thrilling play by Ferrier followed. He took the fifth with a birdie three, an eight-yard putt finding the tin. At the seventh (528 yards) he won with a birdie four, a four-yard putt going down. At the eighth he was left with a six-yard putt for a birdie three and a win. Down it went again. To top all this, he sank a twelve-yarder at the ninth, for another birdie and a win.

PAR FIGURES BUT LOST!

Hattersley had par figures at all four holes, only to lose every one of them. Ferrier had done the nine holes in 31, four under par. No



one could have stood up to this phenomenal burst. Of the last six of these nine holes, Hattersley lost five, and from 2 up was in the apparently hopeless position of 3 down, with nine holes to play.

But at this stage this extraordinary match took another turn. Ferrier's brilliant putting deserted him, just when, with victory in sight, it would have been supposed that nothing so surprising was at all likely.

At the tenth hole he missed a putt under two feet for a win. He had holed putts yards in length, only to miss a sitter. The lapse was inexplicable.

MATCH PLAY TEMPERAMENT

Hattersley's match-playing temperament was then shown in high relief. He took toll of his opponent's mistakes. After sinking a long putt for a half at the eleventh, and squaring the next hole with par figures, his approach shot at the thirteenth (494 yards) finished up within inches of the hole, which he took with a birdie four.

At the fifteenth, Ferrier's yard putt for a half stayed out, and at the seventeenth he missed an even shorter one — and the match was all square with one hole to play.

A "DOG-LEG"

At the last hole both players made a dog-leg of it. Neither tried to carry the flag, which is on the line of the hole. They played wide to the right. Both were on the fairway with their tee shots. Ferrier had to play the odd. His iron found the green, about twenty feet away from the pin. A high shot, the ball rolled but a few feet.

It was now up to Hattersley. The flight of his ball was much lower, and, while he carried short of the hole the run on the ball took it past the pin to the edge of the green.

It was now Hattersley's turn to play the odd. A weak approach left him about five short.

HATTERSLEY'S LAPSE

Ferrier went boldly for his birdie three. The ball missed the hole by a fraction, and slipped nearly three feet past it.

Then, to the dismay of his army of supporters, Hattersley putted weakly. The ball merely trickled along, and died two inches short of the hole. That made the hole wide as a bucket for Ferrier, who sank the putt, to win a match marked by remarkable fluctuations.

EVANS PADDON BEATS ALF BURNS

FINE JUDGMENT AND BLADEWORK

IN LINE FOR WORLD MATCH

(By "RHYTHM")

Sydney.

EVANS PADDON carried too many guns for Alf Burns in the race for the Australian Professional Sculling Championship. He took the lead immediately after the start, and maintained it throughout. Paddon showed form and judgment that should make him a tough proposition for the world's best.

It was a gala day at Woodburn, and, as a visitor for the first time to a Northern Rivers regatta, it was an eye-opener to see on arrival about 6,000 people lined along the river bank.

I got a great "kick" and it was certainly pleasing to see that the old sport of sculling is booming in the country, if not the city. Now I understand why the best exponents hail from places outside Sydney.

There were, of course, numerous past and present sculling identities, including ex-world's champions, George Towns, Charlie Towns, and Jim Paddon, Harry Pearce, former Australian champion and father of Bob (the present world's champion), Gus Green, builder of Paddon's boat, which is aptly named Hope, his brother Harry from the Tweed, a past amateur State champion and stroke of two interstate eights, J. Searle, J. Casey, and many others.

Woodburn is situated on the banks of the Richmond river, the business centre being separated only by the road, which winds around practically the whole course, enabling the race to be followed from cars, etc., as well as from the steamers.

The course itself is about a quarter of a mile wide; there are three or four rather severe bends, but for about the last three-quarter mile it is straight, and the finishing line is right in the centre of the town.

Two steamers followed the race, and the one containing the umpire was packed.

Paddon, the first to boat, was assisted by his father. He received an ovation from the crowd as he sculled leisurely past.

Burns followed shortly after, and received, if anything, a greater reception. They both rowed up to the start and were waiting when the steamers arrived.

PADDON WON TOSS

Both men lined up for the start. Paddon, having won the toss, was on the southern bank.

The start was by mutual consent, consequently they were watching each other closely to see that no advantage was gained. There were three false starts, Paddon going off on each occasion. At the fourth attempt both men got away together, Burns striking 38, and Paddon 40.

Paddon took the lead early, and at the quarter-mile was slightly in front, increasing this at the half-mile to about a length.

RACE WAS 25

The men had now settled down. The rate was about 25, with Paddon still going away. Nearing the mile he was nearly two lengths to the good.

He came out slightly here, and Burns attempted to take the inside position, but Paddon, sculling beautifully, and using great headwork,



resumed his inside position.

RACE WON

The rate of both had now dropped to about 24. Paddon had still about two lengths' lead, and was not attempting to increase it. At the two miles the positions were unchanged, and it looked as if Paddon had the race in hand.

He has long sweeping strokes, and the boat was gliding nicely between them. Burns was sculling well, but could make no impression on his heavier opponent.

As the men neared the finishing line, Burns spurred gamely and got to within a length of his opponent, but Paddon appeared to have his measure, and without undue bustling kept sufficiently in front to win by one length. The time was 20min. 18sec.

There was not much assistance from the tide, it having just started to flood.

GOOD BLADEWORK

Paddon is 23 years of age and rows at 12st 12lb. He displayed excellent form, having a long, clean stroke, good blade work, and smoothness throughout. He has apparently been well schooled in the technique of match racing, for he showed remarkable coolness and ability. His father, Jim Paddon, had charge of his preparation, ably assisted by T. Norton, of Woodburn, and George Cook, of Sydney.

Burns started favourite (odds of 5 and 6 to 4 being freely wagered). He took his defeat in a sportsmanlike manner. He sculled well, and prior to the race he told me he felt fit, but realised he was going to have the hardest tussle of his career.

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MYSTERIOUS GOLFER WHO WAS "WORLD'S BEST"

ABOUT ten years ago the city of Syracuse, N. Y. became highly conscious of a lively young man named La Verne Moore. Son of a churchgoing steel mill worker named Matthew Moore, whose other offspring were two beautiful daughters and a son who lived up to his name of Harold, La Verne was nicknamed "Bull" because of his phenomenal physique, his excellence at games, his unruly disposition. For strength, Bull Moore was marvellous. He could fight three men at a time, toss a waiter across the bar of a lunch counter, lift the front wheels of an automobile with one hand. With a slight edge on his appetite, he would break a dozen eggs into his mother's frying pan and eat them in six mouthfuls.

AT GAMES, THERE WAS NO ONE LIKE BULL MOORE. HE WAS THE BEST POOL PLAYER IN TOWN. HE COULD THROW A BASEBALL SO FAST IT BECAME INVISIBLE. HE PITCHED FOR THE ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH TEAM AND WENT SOUTH FOR A TRY-OUT WITH THE BOSTON BRAVES. A BIG-TIME FOOTBALL COACH SAW HIM AND SENT HIM TO PREPARATORY SCHOOL. GOLF WAS BULL MOORE'S FORTE. HIS BROTHER HAROLD, A CHURCH ORGANIST, WAS ALSO A GOLF PROFESSIONAL AND HAD TAUGHT BULL THE GAME. BULL WOULD DRIVE A BALL OUT OF SIGHT AND MAKE ANY KIND OF TRICK SHOT WITH ANY KIND OF CLUB. HIS SHORT GAME WAS ECCENTRIC BUT HE WAS PLENTY GOOD ENOUGH TO EARN A LIVING AS A PROFESSIONAL.

It was in his attitude toward earning a living that Bull Moore particularly charmed the street-corner, pool-room and blind-tiger high-school set of Syracuse in the Prohibition era. Work did appeal to him. Just where this adventurous buck got his money was something of a mystery but his pockets always seemed to be well lined. Among the exemplary things about Bull Moore was his response to drink and women. Bull was a man's man. Doubtless, he could have held more liquor without showing it than anyone else in town, but no one ever saw him drunk. He could have made a conquest of almost any girl he wanted but his dealings with the other sex were notable for old-fashioned chivalry. Bull would not even let his friends boast about their conquests in his presence.

If Bull Moore was above any kind of mix-up that concerned a girl, his dare-devilry sometimes brought him to the edge of other kinds of trouble. In 1927, a grocer accused of selling liquor complained that a young bully posing as a policeman had walked in and taken \$50, promising to have the accusation quashed. Bull Moore was tried for this offence. He got a six-month sentence which the judge suspended.

On the night of August 5, 1930, one Kin Hanna, owner of an inn near Jay, N. Y. had a painful experience. He and his father-in-law Matt Cobb were beaten, gagged and bound by four men who then took \$750 from the till and made their getaway.

In the gateway, the robbers ran their cars off the road and one hit a culvert. The cars were going fast. One of the gang, John Sherry, was killed. Two of the others, Roger Norton and William Carleton, were caught and jailed. The fourth man disappeared. Soon after the robbery Bull Moore ceased to be seen in upper New York State and the police began to look for him.

MONTAGUE APPEARS

About three years ago, Hollywood, always on the lookout for new and interesting personalities, began to take note of one who called himself John Montague. Handsome, debonair and genial, Montague would have been a welcome addition to Hollywood for his social talents alone. He had other ones as well. He was so modest that, in a community where a private telephone number is considered the ultimate in self-effacement, he not only demurely refused to reveal the source of his apparently lavish income but firmly re-



Melvin Harhart, of Battle Creek, Michigan, amateur, shown with his wife and loyal booster, is believed to have set a world record for competitive golf by going over the Arbor Hills course at Jackson in 22 strokes under par for three rounds. He won the Michigan open with a 258.

fused to have his picture taken, politely smashing the cameras of photographers who tried it.

Where chivalry is rare, he made no secret of his feeling that men should not swear when ladies were

present. For strength, John Montague was marvellous. When a friend had a blowout, he held the rear end of the car up while he changed the tire. John Montague could drink whiskey by the quart but no one ever saw him drunk. Finally, he was a prodigious golfer.

WITH OLIVER HARDY

By the time Montague had been around Hollywood for a year or two, he was sharing a house with fat Comedian Oliver Hardy whom he could lift with one hand. He golfed with celebrities like Bing Crosby, and joined the Lakeside Club where the rumour was that he amused the members one day by standing husky Cinemactor George Bancroft on his head in his locker and closing the door.

Through his social success, John Montague retained his peculiar shyness. Whence he came or where he got his money, he told no one. His friends were either too afraid or polite to ask. There were rumours that Montague had gold mines in Arizona. This was merely because he often disappeared into the desert for months at a time. It was said he had a connection with a company that made super-chargers. This was because he drove two Lincolns and a geared-up Ford. Unconcerned with antecedents, Hollywood asked no questions. Montague played golf.

GOOD TECHNIQUE

Surest way to attract attention anywhere is to appear to shun it. In Hollywood, where attention is the population's bread and butter, this technique is doubly infallible. And what Montague did on golf courses would have brought him notoriety anywhere whether he shunned it or not.

First public notice of Montague's golf was written two years ago by

famed Sportswriter Grantland Rice. Sportswriter Rice heard that Montague had, 1) played Crosby using a baseball bat, a rake and a shovel and beaten him; 2) broken the course record at Palm Springs four days in a row, with a 61 the last day; 3) picked a bird off a telegraph wire with a golf ball at 170 yards; 4) been called by onetime U. S. Amateur Champion George Von Elm, who had played with him daily for a month, the "greatest golfer in the world." Sportswriter Rice played several games with John Montague. In his *Sportlight*, Grantland Rice substantiated Golfer Von Elm's opinion.

NOT ONLY BEST BUT—

Sportswriter Rice's column established a golfer who was not only conceivably the best in the world, but also so shy he refused to play in tournaments or have his picture taken as a public figure. John Montague promptly became major news. Last September, Westbrook Pegler devoted a column to him.

By this spring John Montague, according to Joe Williams, of the New York *World-Telegram*, was the most discussed golfer in the U. S. Reams had been written about him in newspapers and magazines. A rumour that he would play in the British Open made headlines in London.

One of the latest Montague stories was that a match was being arranged between him and Socialite Thomas Suffern Taiter Jr. at Meadow Brook Club on Long Island for \$10,000 a side. Last week locker rooms were full of gossip about this match that would finally reveal the truth about John Montague.

THE TRUTH AND HOW!

The truth about John Montague came out last week but not on a golf course. It came out in Los Angeles County Jail where he was taken after being arrested because his fingerprints matched those of La Verne ("Bull") Moore.

Story of the search for La Verne Moore and the arrest of John Montague was as simple as the fugitive's career had been fantastic. Last month, one of the innumerable accounts of the famed Montague v. Crosby golf match finally caught the eye of someone who knew La Verne Moore and was interested in finding him. This was Police Inspector John Cosart of Troop D, Oneida, N.Y., who clipped the article, sent it to Inspector Joseph Lynch at Malone, N.Y. who sent Moore's fingerprints to Los Angeles.

Story of Montague's arrest contrasted sharply with reports of all his previous Hollywood activities. Shy no longer, he last week posed for photographers as often as they wanted, even let them photograph his hands to show how he held a golf club in his celebrated fingers. Asked how he had succeeded in Hollywood he answered: "I let the other guy's girls alone." Still amiable, he discussed the holdup: "I got into a jam when I was a wild young kid. I'm glad it's over. I had intended going East and clearing this thing up myself."

REMAINING MYSTERIES

Only mysteries that remained about John Montague last week were where his money came from, and what would happen to him, next. Montague last week refused to clear up the first. Answer to the second will depend on whether or not he avoids being extradited to New York. Day after his arrest last week, Montague was out on \$10,000 bail, with Cinemactors Hardy, Crosby and Guy Kibbee named as references on his bond.

'HOBBS' GREATEST EVER

Sir Pelham Warner's Tribute

INTERESTING SPEECH

"English cricket is on the up-grade. There is no need for pessimism about the forthcoming visit of the Australians."

This was one of the many stimulating remarks made by Sir Pelham Warner in a brilliant speech at a dinner given recently in honour of his being made a knight. Sir Pelham also spilled a few secrets of selection (writes Mr. Clifford Webb in the "Daily Herald" of July 1).

How long would it have taken you to select the team that represented England against the New Zealanders at Lord's? Five minutes . . . ten . . . fifteen?

"In my early days as a selector—and that is going back to 1905," said Sir Pelham, "the England team was picked in about three minutes, after a pleasant luncheon. MacLaren, Ranji, Fry, Jessop . . .

JESSOP OR HAYWARD

"Afterwards there might be a jaw-Jessop or Hayward? MacLaren always plumped for Jessop because he said Jessop might throw out Trumper before Trumper had scored!"

"Curiously enough, this did almost happen in one match. Jessop threw Trumper's wicket down when Trumper had made two."

"It was easy in those days," he went on. "But now, with so much cricket being played and so many players of almost equal merit, we find it necessary to spend hours of the most serious contemplation."

So now you know. Spare a thought for the poor selectors. They've got nobody to fight their case for an eight-hour day . . .

TOO MUCH BRADMAN

"During the preliminary work of choosing modern English Test teams, we have come to think almost exclusively in terms of Bradman. I am not sure that is best. I have tried to dissuade the committee from thinking so much about Bradman in their team-choosing deliberations."

"If I dare criticise the modern game, I would say that there is too much of what I would call defensive bowling—bowling that is short of a length."

"I would like to stress, for the benefit of county captains, the supreme importance of good length bowling. It is everything. Let us get back to it."

BOLD KNIGHT!

As befits a bold knight, Sir Pelham stepped right over the edge by making a couple of those controversial "best ever" observations. Few could be more fitted to make them, for it is almost 50 years ago to the day that he passed through the turnstile to obtain his first glimpse of Lord's, and he has spent thousands of hours there since.

He said, "Jack Hobbs was the greatest batsman on all types of wickets I have ever seen." And "Sidney Barnes and Frank Foster made up the finest pair of bowlers who ever bowled for England." As I have said, Sir Pelham should know.

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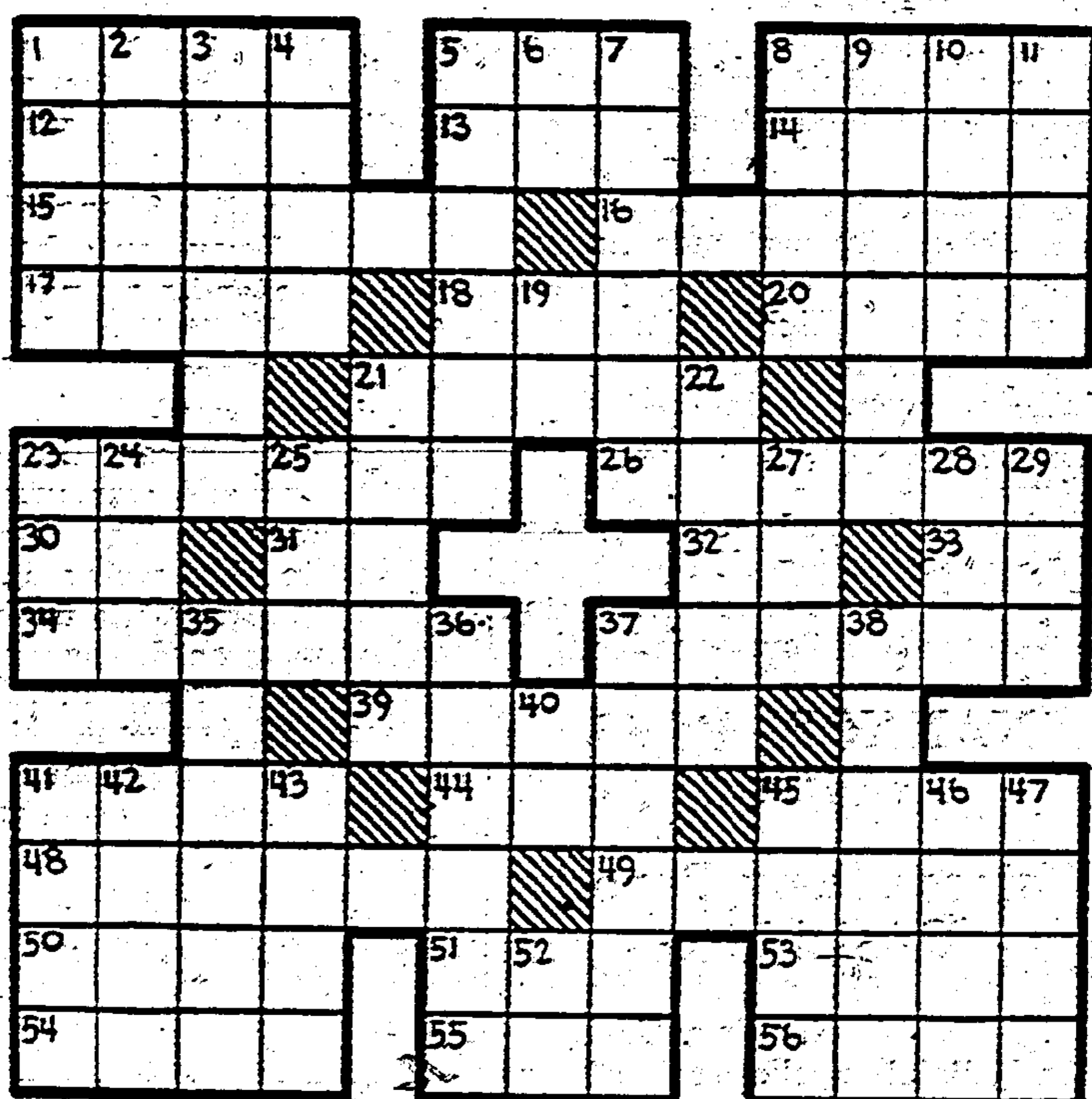
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- 1- Fortunate
- 2- Negative
- 3- Malignous burning of
a building
- 4- Anxious
- 5- A title
- 6- A vegetable
- 7- Assist
- 8- Kitchen utensil
- 9- Portuguese coin
- 10- Male descendant
- 11- A great claw, talon
a crab
- 12- Repaired
- 13- Reiterate
- 14- To walk up
- 15- Six
- 16- First man
- 17- Girl's name
- 18- Uses needle and
thread
- 19- Makes a mistake
- 20- Prefix. Against
- 21- Walk
- 22- Echold

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NANKING ALSO STARTS OFFENSIVE IN NORTH

Making Drive To Re-Take Tientsin

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LINES PRACTICALLY UNCHANGED

The Chinese and Japanese lines remain practically unchanged except that the Chinese claim to have dislodged the Japanese from an important bridge in the Chapei-Kiangwan sector.

Under the nose of two Japanese destroyers the Chinese are completing a boom across the Whangpoo River, 200 yards south of the Shanghai Club, in order to prevent Japanese warships landing troops for a rear attack.

Two steamers and scores of cement-laden junks have been sunk and the channel is now impassable.

Thousands of Chinese refugees are stranded on the waterfront, being unable to sail from Shanghai owing to the closing of the Yangtse to navigation, but it is estimated that 20,000 have left for South China in the past 24 hours.—Reuter.

CENTRAL ARMY OFFENSIVE BEGINS AGAINST TIENSIN

Nanking, 6 a.m., To-day.

Chinese reports state that the Central Government troops are launching a vigorous offensive along the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and are advancing rapidly on Tientsin.

The Chinese drive is stated to be partly a desire to seize Tientsin and also a move to relieve Japanese pressure at Nankow Pass.—Reuter.

MORATORIUM PURELY LOCAL

Nanking, To-day.

The emergency order issued by the Chinese Ministry of Finance declaring a bank holiday commencing yesterday and lasting through Saturday is only applicable to Chinese banks in Shanghai for the purpose of checking speculation at the outbreak of Sino-Japanese hostilities. All Chinese banks in the Capital are doing business as usual.—Hua Nan.

NEW C.-IN-C.

Shanghai, To-day.

The Chinese Government has announced the appointment of General Chang Chi-chung, Commander of the Fifth Central Government Army, as Garrison Commander of Nanking and Shanghai. This appointment means that he is entrusted with the supreme command of all armed forces now involved in hostilities with the Japanese troops.—Hua Nan.

PANIC IN LOCAL EXCHANGE MARKET

The Hong Kong Exchange Market weakened considerably this morning as a result of heavy buying of sterling by local Chinese operators.

The rate fluctuated three sixpences from 1/2 to 1/2-12/16.

CHINESE CLAIM SUCCESSES

Shanghai, To-day.

A Chinese military communique issued early this morning stated that the Chinese troops have captured the Japanese positions at Paitzuchiao and Chungsing Road after a series of charges made under cover of heavy artillery fire. Fighting suspended shortly after midnight. One shell struck Kung Ta Cotton Mill, where the Japanese field headquarters is established.

The Hukiang University was slightly damaged by Japanese artillery bombardment.—Hua Nan.

MAYOR'S PROTEST

Shanghai To-day.

Mr. O. K. Yui, Mayor of Greater Shanghai, has sent strong representations to the Japanese Consul-General in Shanghai, protesting against the Japanese firing on Chinese troops yesterday morning, saying that the Japanese broke their promise not to enter into the Chinese territory on Thursday's meeting of the Shanghai Truce Commission.

It is authoritatively reported that three more Nanking divisions have despatched to reinforce the 87th and 88th divisions.—Our Own Correspondent.

SUCCESSES IN N. CHINA

Nanking, To-day.

It is claimed that on the Tientsin-Pukow line, the Chinese have

recaptured Liangwangmiao and are advancing to Yanglinching. On the Peiping-Hankow line, the Chinese have recaptured Lianghsiang city. On the Peiping-Suiyuan line, the Japanese troops attacks continuing their attack near Nankow Pass were severely repulsed.—Our Own Correspondent.

CHAPEI BUILDINGS ABLAZE

Shanghai To-day.

Many houses at Chingyun Road and Paoshan Road were in flames last night caused by Japanese incendiary bombs. Most of the fires were brought under control early this morning by Chinese firemen.—Hua Nan.

HEAVY FIGHTING AT KIANGWAN

Capture Of Field Headquarters Claimed

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese attempt to encircle Kiangwan failed, their troops being repulsed by the Chinese who occupied the Kiangwan Road where a temporary headquarters of the Japanese troops was established, at 8 p.m. last night after severe fighting which lasted hours.

At 9 p.m. there was a lull no firing being heard until 10.55 p.m., when Chinese troops made an unexpected attack on the Japanese troops at the Eight Characters Bridge, where it was learned the Japanese were establishing a miniature armoury, and routed the Japanese.

At 11.30 p.m. the roar of artillery in this sector could still be heard at intervals of three or four minutes.—Our Own Correspondent.

NANKOW PASS BATTLE

Chinese Deny Report Of Capture

Nanking, To-day.

An official spokesman of the Ministry of Military Affairs told Da-Dao this morning that the Nankow Pass was still in the hands of the Chinese and that the claim by the Japanese was entirely untrue.

He added that for the last three days, reinforcements of the Japanese in that point amounted to 5,000 men, 60 cannons, 30 fighting planes, but the Chinese were able to keep their positions intact in Huchuchuan, Hwanghuaping and Tehhsingkow. The Japanese took the offensive on August 12th but were repulsed, he concluded.—Da-Dao.

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Shanghai, To-day.

Chinese planes are bombing the Japanese flagship Idzuma, lying in the Whangpoo off the Japanese Consulate-General.—Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

The Japanese communique issued this morning stated that the Japanese are replying with machine-guns and trench mortars but the Chinese are pressing strongly. The Chinese claim advances on both sectors. Should the Chinese throw their full weight into the scale the Japanese, who are heavily outnumbered, will be given a difficult test to hold their positions.

As the morning grew older the battle developed intensely and the reverberations of artillery could be heard all over the city. Mingled with the thunder of field pieces was the splutter of numerous machine-guns. The Chinese attack was well-timed as it was launched as soon as there was evidence that weather conditions would prevent Japanese air activities.

Crossing the Shanghai-Woosung Railway on a half-mile front, extending northward from North Station, the Chinese troops are cautiously advancing towards North Szechuen Road, where the Japanese troops and armoured cars are stationed. The Japanese troops in this sector have received orders not to fire unless actually rushed, as engagements here would imperil the houses of Japanese civilians living in the Settlement areas at the rear of the Japanese lines.—Reuter.

NEWS FLASHES

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